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"IT'S THEM H—L FIRED WRECKERS AGAIN!"

Synopsis—Graham Norcross, railroad manager, and his secretary, Jimmy Dods, are marooned at Sand Creek siding with a young lady, Sheila Macrae and her small cousin, Maclise. Unseen, they witness a peculiar train hold-up, in which a special car is carried off. Norcross recognizes the car as that of John Chadwick, financial magnate, whom he was to meet at Portal City. He and Dods rescue Chadwick. The latter offers Norcross the management of the Pioneer Short Line, which is in the hands of speculators, headed by Breckenridge Duntun, president of the line. Norcross, learning that Sheila Macrae is stopping at Portal City, accepts. Dods overhears conversation between Rufus Hatch and Gustave Henckel, Portal City financiers, in which they admit complicity in kidnapping Chadwick. Norcross resumes control of the Pioneer Short Line, refusing to give place to Duntun, whom Duntun has sent to take charge as general manager. Jimmy follows an emissary of the Red Tower people, spying on Norcross, to a coal yard, where he overhears a plot to arrest the boss on a murder charge. He frustrates the plot and thereby draws his enemies to more desperate measures. At the home of Sheila Macrae Dods is witness of strange actions of a man whom he later recognizes as Howard Collingwood, nephew of President Duntun. A series of wrecks, impossible to explain, cause alarm to the boss. Duntun, night dispatcher, routes passenger and freight trains to meet on a single track. Disaster is narrowly averted. Duntun commits suicide, leaving evidence that he was bribed to bring about collision.

CHAPTER XIII

What the Pilot Engine Found

For a time after the suicide of the off-trick-dispatcher the wreck epidemic paused. Acting upon Mr. Norcross's suggestion, Mr. Van Britt called his trainmen in, a crew at a time, and gave them the straight tip; and after that the hoodoo died a natural death, and a good many pairs of eyes all along the Short Line were keeping a sharp lookout for the trouble-makers.

In the meantime, Tarbell, still digging faithfully, managed to turn up a few facts that were worth something. In the Petrolite case he found a lone prospector living in a shack high up on the farther side of the canyon who told him that late in the evening of the day preceding the wreck he had seen two men climbing the slope from which the boulder had been dislodged, and that one of them was carrying a pick. Also, further investigation seemed to prove that the rail which the blow of the rock was supposed to have knocked loose had been previously weakened, either by drawing some of the spikes, or by unscrewing the nuts on the bolts at the joints.

In another field, and this time under Ripley's instructions, our ex-cop-punch had been able to set and bait a trap. By diligent search he had found the man Murphy, the Clannahan henchman, who, under pressure, had given away the Timber Mountain plot which had climaxed in the kidnapping of the boss. This man had been deliberately shot in a bar-room brawl and left for dead. But he had crawled away and had got out of town to live and recover at a distant cattle ranch in the Linborton hills.

When Tarbell discovered he had cut out the booze, had grown a beard, and was thirsting for vengeance, Tarbell brought him back to Portal City, and presently there began to be developments. Murphy knew all the ropes. In a little time, Ripley, with Tarbell's help, was loaded for bear. One chilly October afternoon the lawyer came down to our office to tell Mr. Norcross that the game was cornered.

"All you have to do now is to give the word," was the way Ripley wound up. "You refused to do it on a former occasion, because we couldn't get the men higher up. This time we can nail Clannahan, and a good few of the political gangsters and bosses in the other towns along the line. What do you say?"

The boss looked up with the little horse-shoe frown wrinkling between his eyes.

"Can we get Hatch and Henckel?"

"No; not yet."

"Very well; then you may lock those papers up in your safe and wait. When you can see your way clear to a criminal trial, with Rufus Hatch and Gustave Henckel in the prisoner's dock, we'll start the legal machinery; but not before."

By now we were right on the eve of the state election. As far as anybody could see, the railroad had stayed free and clear of the political fight. The boss had kept his promise to maintain neutrality and was still keeping it.

At the appointed time the big day dawned, and the political wind-up held the center of the stage. So far as we were concerned, it passed off very quietly. Along in the afternoon the newspaper offices began to put out bulletins, and by evening the result was no longer doubtful. For the first time in years the power of the political machine had been smashed decisively at the polls, and on the following morning the Mountain announced the election of Governor Burrell, with a safe working majority in both houses of the legislature for the Independents.

It was on the third day after the election, rather late in the afternoon, that the boss had a call from a mining promoter named Dawes, representing a bunch of mine owners at Strathcona, who were having trouble with smelter. The smelter, one of the few Hatch monopolies which hadn't been shaken loose as yet, was located in the gulch six miles below Strathcona, and it was served exclusively by its own industrial railroad, which it was using as a lever to pry an excessive hauling charge out of the mine owners. Wouldn't Mr. Norcross try to do something about it?

The boss said he'd do anything he

could, and asked what the mine owners wanted. Dawes said they wanted help; that they were going to hold a mass meeting in Strathcona the following morning at nine o'clock. Would it, or wouldn't it, be possible for Mr. Norcross to be present at that meeting?

Of course, the boss said he'd go. Dawes went away, and before we broke off to go to dinner at the railroad club, I was given a memorandum order for a special.

At the club I found that Mr. Norcross had an invited guest—Major Kendrick. For a week or two Mrs. Sheila had been visiting at the state capital, and the major's wife and Maclise Ann were with her. So the good old major was sort of unattached, and glad enough. I took it to be a guest at anybody's table.

For a while the table talk—in which, of course, Jimmie Dods hadn't any part whatever—circled around the late landslide election, and what Governor Burrell's party would do, now that it had the say-so. But by and by it got around to the railroad situation.

"You're putting up a mighty good fight, Graham, my son, but it isn't over yet—not by a long way," this isn't just the way the major said it,



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but it's as near as I can come to his soft Southern drawl with the smooth "r's." "I've known Misteer Rufus Hatch for a good many years, and he has the perseverance of the very devil. With all that has been done, you must never forget, for a single hour, that your admirable reform strucheln stands, as yet, upon the life of a single man. Don't lose sight of that, Graham."

The boss looked up kind of curiously.

"You and Sheila seem to think that point needs emphasizing more than any other," he commented.

The major's fine old eyes twinkled gravely.

"You are mighty safe in payin' strict attention to whatever the little gyrel tells you, Graham, my boy," he asserted. "She has a way of gettin' at the heart of things that puts us meek men to shame—she has, for a fact, suh."

"She has been very helpful to me," the boss put in, with his eyes in his plate. "In fact, I may say that she has herself suggested a good many of the moves in the railroad game. It's marvelous, and I can't understand how she can do it."

They went on for a while, singing Mrs. Sheila's praises over in a good many different ways, and I thought, wherever she might happen to be just then, her pretty little ears ought to be burning good and hard. To hear them talk you would have thought she was another Portin-person, and then some.

The dinner wore itself out after a while, and when the waiter brought the cigars, the boss was looking at his watch.

"I'm sorry I can't stay and smoke with you, major," he said, pushing his chair back. "But the business grind never lets up. I'm obliged to go to Strathcona tonight."

"I don't know what the major was going to say to this abrupt break-away; the after-dinner social cigar was a sort of religious ceremony with him. But whatever he was going to say, he didn't say it, for at that moment a telegraph boy came in and handed him a message. He put on his other glasses and read the telegram, with his big goggle looking more than ever like a dagger and the force white mustaches twitching. At the end of things he folded the message and put it into his pocket, saying, sort of soberly:

"Graham, there are times when Sheila's intuitions are mighty near uncanny; they are, for a fact, suh. This wire is from her. What do you suppose it says?"

Of course, the boss said he couldn't suppose anything about it, and the major went on.

"She tells me, in just seven words, not to let you go to Strathcona tonight. Now what do you make of that? How on top of God's green earth did she know, away off yonder at the capital, that you were meaning to go to Strathcona tonight?"

Mr. Norcross shook his head. Then he said: "There are wires—both kinds—though I don't know why anybody should telegraph or telephone the capital that I expect to attend a mine-owners' meeting tomorrow morning in the big gold camp. That's why I'm going, you know."

"But this warning," the major insisted. "There's a reason for it, Graham, as sure as you are bawn!"

Again the boss shook his head.

"Between you two, you and Sheila, I'm due to acquire a case of nerves. I don't know what she has heard, but I can't afford to dodge a business appointment. Sheila has merely overheard an echo of the threats that are constantly being made by the Hatch sympathizers. It's the aftermath of the election, but it's all talk. They're down and out, and they haven't the nerve to strike back, now."

That ended matters at the club, and the boss and I walked down to the headquarters. The special, with Buck Chandler, was waiting, and at the last minute I thought I wasn't going to get to go.

"There's no need of your putting in a night on the road, Jimmie," said the boss, with the kindly thought for other people's comfort that never failed him. But after I had begged a little, telling him that he'd need somebody to take notes in the mine meeting, he said, "All right," and we got aboard and gave the word to Maclise, the conductor, to get his clearance and go.

A few minutes later we pulled out and the night run was begun. Like every other car the boss had ever owned, the "03" was fitted up as a working office, and since he had me along, he opened up a lot of claim papers upon which the legal department was giving him the final say-so, and we went to work.

For the next two hours I was so busy that I didn't know when we passed the various stations. At half-past nine, Mr. Norcross snapped a rubber band over the last of the claim files, lighted a pipe, and told me I might go to bed if I wanted to; said that he was going himself after he'd had a smoke. Just then, Chandler whistled for a station, and, looking out of a window, I saw that we were pulling into Bauxite, the little wind-blown junction from which the Strathcona branch led away into the northern mountains.

Wanting a bite of fresh air before turning in, I got off when we made the stop and strolled up to the engine. Maclise was in the office, getting orders for the branch, and Chandler was squatting in the gangway of the 815 and waiting. Up ahead of us, and too far away for me to read the number on her tender, there was a light engine. I thought at first it was the pusher which was kept at Bauxite to help heavy freights up the branch grades, and I wondered what it was doing out on the branch "Y" and in our way.

"What's the pusher out for, Buck?" I asked.

"Chandler grinned down at me.

"You ain't so much of a railroad man as you might be, Jimmie," he said. "That ain't the pusher. It's our first section, runnin' light to Strathcona."

Maybe Chandler was right, that I wasn't much of a railroad man, but I saved the Short Line operating rules well enough to know that it wasn't usual to run a light engine, deadheaded over the road, as a section of a special. Also, I knew that Buck knew it.

With that last little talk over the club dinner-table fresh in mind, I began to wonder, but instead of asking Chandler any more questions about the engine out ahead, I asked him if I might ride a piece with him up the branch; and when he said "Sure," I climbed up and humped myself on the fireman's box.

Maclise got his orders in due time when he gave Chandler the word, he also made motions with his lantern to the engine up ahead, and it promptly steamed away, speeding up until it had about a half-mile lead and then holding it. That seemed funny, too. Though it is a rule that is often broken on all railroads, the different sections of a train are supposed to keep at least five minutes apart, and our "first" wasn't much more than a minute away from us at any time.

Another thing that struck me as being funny was the way Chandler was running. It was only sixty mountain miles up the branch to the big gold camp, and we ought to have been able to make it by one o'clock, taking it dead easy. But the way Buck was niggling along it looked as if it might be going to take us all night.

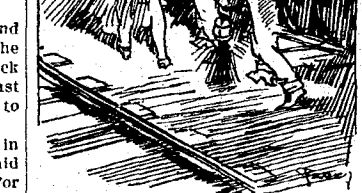
Just the same, nothing happened. The first ten miles was across a desert stretch with only a slightly rising grade, and it was pretty much all tangent—straight line. Beyond the ten-mile station of Nippo we hit the mountain proper, climbing it through a dry canyon, with curves that blocked off everything fifty feet ahead of the engine, and grades that would have made pretty good toboggan slides. The night was fine and starlit, but there was no moon and the canyon shadows

loomed like huge walls to shut us in.

On the reverse curves I could occasionally get a glimpse of the red tail lights of the engine which might, by rights, to have been five full miles ahead of us. It was still holding its short lead, jogging along as leisurely as we were.

With nothing to do and not much to see, I got sleepy after a while, and about the time when I was thinking that I might as well climb back over the tender and turn in, I dozed off right there on the fireman's box, which was safe enough, at the small's pace we were running. When I awoke it was nearly one o'clock in the morning, and we had worked through the thirty-miles of canyon run and were climbing the steep talus of Slide mountain.

While I was rubbing my eyes, the eight-wheeler gave another little jerk, and I saw that Chandler was slowing for a stop; saw this and got a glimpse of somebody on the track ahead, flagging us down with a lantern.



We Went to Meet the Man With the Lantern.

meet the man with the lantern. He was the fireman of the engine ahead, and when we got around on the track I saw that our "first section" was stopped just a little way farther on.

"What is it, Barty?" said Maclise, when we came up to the fireman.

"It's them h—l-fired wreckers again," was the grating reply. "Rail joint disconnected and sprung out so's to let us off down the mountain."

I thought it was up to me to go back and tell the boss, but there wasn't any need of it. The stop or the slow running or something had roused him, and he was up and dressed and coming along beside the engine.

When he came up, Maclise told him why we were stopping. He didn't say anything about the rail break, but he did ask, sort of sharp and quick, what engine that was up ahead.

I don't know what Maclise told him. Chandler turned to go back to his engine, and the rest of us were moving along the other way, the boss setting the pace with Maclise at his elbow. Three rail-lengths ahead of the stopped light engine we came to the break. The head engineer and another man were down on their hands and knees examining it, and when they stood up at our coming, I saw that the other man was Mr. Van Britt.

"What?" said the boss; "you here?"

Our only millionaire nodded. "I ride the line once in a while—just to see how things are going," he returned crisply.

The boss didn't say anything more, but he knelt to look at the break. It was a trap, all right, set, beyond all question of doubt, to catch the private special. The fish-plates had been removed from a joint in the left-hand rail and the end of the down-hill rail had been sprung out to make a de-railing switch, which was held in position by the insertion of one of the fish-plates between the rail-webs. If we had hit the trap, going at even ordinary mountain-climbing speed, there would have been nothing left to tell the tale but a heap of scrap at the bottom of the thousand-foot dump.

Under Mr. Van Britt's direction the engine and fireman of the pilot engine brought tools and the break was repaired.

While they were doing it the boss stood aside with Mr. Van Britt, and I heard what was said. Mr. Van Britt began it by saying, "We don't need any detectives this time. You are on your way to Strathcona to put a clump in the smelter squeeze—the last of the Red Tower monopolies—so Dawes told me. He was probably foolish enough to tell others, and the word was passed to scrag you before you could get to it. This trap was set to catch your special."

"Evidently," barked the boss; and then: "How did you happen to be here on that engine, Upton?"

"I've been ahead of you all the way up from Portal City," was the calm reply. "I thought it might be safer if you had a pilot to show you the way. I guess I must have had a hunch."

The boss turned on him like a flash. "You had something more than a hunch; what was it—a wire?"

Mr. Van Britt gritted his teeth a little, but he told the truth.

"Yes; a friend of ours tipped me off—about the broken track, of course, but just in a general way."

The break was repaired and the men were taking the tools back to the engine. As we turned to follow them, Mr. Norcross said: "Just one more question, Upton. Did your wire come from the capital?"

But at this Mr. Van Britt seemed to forget that he was talking to his general manager.

"It's none of your d—d business where it came from," he snapped back; and that ended it.

Notwithstanding the slow run and the near-disaster on Slide mountain, we had our meeting with the Strathcona mine owners the following morn-

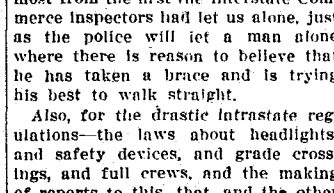
ing; and that much of the special train served its purpose, anyway. The boss met the miners a good bit more than half-way, and gave them their relief—and the Hatch-owned smelter its knock-out—by promising that our traffic department would make an ore tariff to the independent smelter on the other side of the range low enough to protect the producers.

It was nearly three o'clock in the afternoon before we got away for the return to Portal City.

We had seen nothing of Mr. Van Britt during the day, and until we came to start out I thought maybe he had gone back to Portal City on the regular train. But at the station I saw the pilot engine just ahead of us again, and though I couldn't be quite sure, I thought I caught a glimpse of our athletic little general superintendent on the fireman's box.

The boss was pretty quiet all the way on the run down the mountain to Bauxite, and for a wonder, he didn't pitch into the work at the desk. I could tell pretty well what he was thinking about. For six months he had been working like a horse to pull the Short Line out of the mudhole of contempt and hostility into which a more or less justly aroused public enmity had dumped it; and now, just as he was beginning to get it up over the edge, he had been plainly notified that he was going to be killed if he didn't let go.

Just as the way seemed to be opening out to better things for the Short Line, a mis-set switch, or a bullet in the dark would knock the entire hard-bult reform experiment into a cocked hat.



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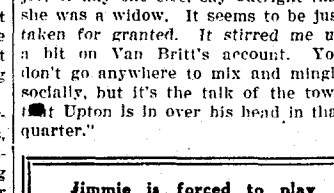
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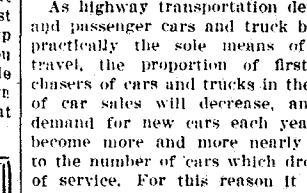
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That was the way Mrs. Sheila had put it to the boss, one evening along in the summer when they were sitting out on the Kendricks porch, and I had butted in, as usual, with a bunch of telegrams that didn't matter. She had said that the experiment couldn't be a success unless the conditions could be changed in some way; that so long as the railroads were owned or controlled by men of the Mr. Duntun sort and used as counters in the money-making game, there would never be any real peace between the companies and the people at large.

It was at Bauxite Junction that we picked up Mr. Hornack. I was glad when I saw him come in. I had just been thinking that it wasn't healthy

for the boss to be grilling there at the window so long alone, and I knew Mr. Hornack would keep him talking about something or other all the rest of the way in.

For a little while they talked business. By and by the business talk wound itself up and I heard Mr. Hornack say: "I saw Ripley going in on Number Six this morning, and he had company; Mrs. Macrae, and the major's wife

SYMPTOMS WOMEN DREAD

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Girl Had Little Confidence in Young Man's Courage, and Apparently With Good Reason.

He had been keeping her company eight years and had never even mentioned marriage and she had decided to give him a strong hint the first opportunity she had. It came during one of the early spring days. As they started for a walk into the country she caught up a bright red sweater to wear. He touched her arm. "I wouldn't wear that if I were you, Grace," he said. "The field in which the violets grow best has a Jersey bull in it and—"

"Oh, then I won't wear it," she said emphatically, throwing the red sweater on the rack. "If in eight years you haven't got enough courage to rescue me from an approaching spinsterhood I know you wouldn't have enough in a few minutes to save me from an approaching bull!"—Indianapolis News.

Ancient Relic to Harding.
A theater ticket not made of paper but of a stony substance that has stood the test of two thousand years has been presented to President Harding by Dr. John Constans, assistant surgeon at Georgetown university hospital.

Doctor Constans stated that the theater ticket was probably used during the earliest period of Grecian drama. It bears on one side the engraved head of a gorgon and on the reverse the head of a fox. It is believed to be of Athenian origin.—New York Times.

The Advantage Was His.
"Janette, I'm afraid you are a vain little wife. You gaze into your mirror so much."
"You oughtn't to blame me for that. I haven't young advantage."
"What's that?"
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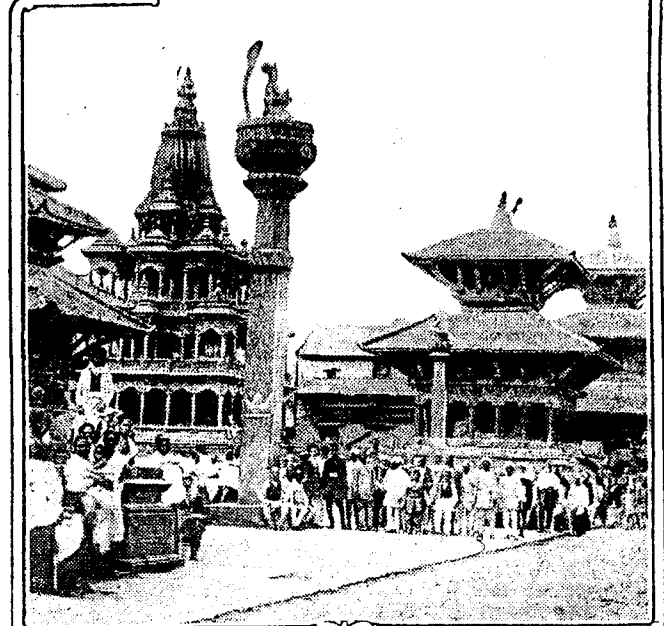
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Nepal, a Hermit Kingdom



Street Scene in Patan, Nepal.

Prepared by the National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.
Nepal, in which is situated much of Mt. Everest, the world's highest pinnacle, which is now being attacked by an elaborately equipped British scientific expedition, is the true "hermit kingdom" of today. The government purposely keeps the roads which lead from India to Nepal in bad condition, and travelers are admitted to but one small valley, and then only for special reasons upon a difficulty obtained permit.

This kingdom which holds itself aloof from the world is a narrow strip of country about 100 miles wide and 200 miles long, extending for nearly a third of the distance between India and Tibet along the sky-piercing Himalayas. On the south it includes a very narrow strip of plains country, but predominantly it is a mountainous region. In fact, its possession of Mt. Everest and some of the other of the highest mountains in the world give it claim, in one sense at least, to be the most mountainous of countries.

The Nepalese are a fighting people, have an excellent army and organization, and are fond of show, both in military display and in their religious festivals. The latter are very numerous, and in fact seem to be intermingled in most of them. Some of the most important of these are the "Dashain" and "Tihar" festivals. The Dashain festival is a time of great religious observance, and the Tihar festival is a time of great social observance. The Dashain festival is a time of great religious observance, and the Tihar festival is a time of great social observance.

Voluminous Dresses of Women.
The Nepalese women wear yards upon yards—sometimes as many as a hundred—of fine muslin plaited to form a huge fan-shaped bunch in front, the back being quite tight. When a lady of rank drives in her barouche she completely fills the carriage with her voluminous skirt of brilliant hue. Above the skirt a vivid little tight-fitting jacket, usually of velvet, is worn; the hair is dressed in a peculiar knot in front, above the forehead, and fastened to one side by an enormous gold plaque with a jeweled center. A heavy gold necklace and gold bangles complete her jewelry. Every imaginable shade is used—purple, pale blue, green, carmine, orange, white, yellow, turquoise, and deep red—and the effect is wonderful.

At the time of state ceremonies the streets are filled with processions of elephants in gorgeous trappings, horses and ponies, brilliant military uniforms, and the usual crowd of good-natured, pleasure-loving people, the whole against the background of the old temples and natural surroundings making a wonderful spectacle. The journey into Nepal is not an easy one. At first there is a track through the forest, but as soon as the outer hills are reached the road loses itself in the bed of a stream, up which the bearers pick their way with difficulty over and among great boulders. The official road finally goes over the very rough track across the Chandraji pass and down the almost impassable road on the other side into the Nepal valley. The last portion of the descent is down a long staircase of roughly-placed blocks of stone, and it is marvelous how the laden men and ponies keep their footing on it.

In the Nepal Valley.
From the foot of the pass an excellent carriage road into the town of Khatmandu runs through the valley teeming with people, towns, palaces, temples, and innumerable shrines. There are miles of such good carriage roads within the valley, mostly constructed in Jung Bahadur's time, and carriages and palanquins, and occasionally a four-in-hand are constantly used by the palace people.

In this valley, where the shrines alone are said to number more than 2,700, the buildings present an amaz-

ing diversity of form, derived from many sources—Egyptian, as shown in the typical form of the windows and doorways finely adapted to local traditions; Persian, Babylonian, Indian, and even Nestorian in some of the designs.

The inhabitants of Nepal are collectively known as "Dwellers in the Hills," and are divided into innumerable castes. The Gurkhas are now the dominant race. Among the Gurkhas there are 21 castes and in addition to these there are among the Newars, or conquered people, 41 castes and sub-castes.

The most striking buildings of Nepal's comparatively modern capital, Khatmandu, are, perhaps, those comprising the Durbar palace, with its many quadrangles and pagoda-shaped roofs, full of chambers and courts with small communicating doors easily closed, which enable the inhabitants to defend themselves in case of political disturbances, which are not infrequent. Some of the windows are very fine and there are some striking bits of wood carving.

Patan, the Old Capital.
Patan was the old Newar capital, where Buddhism was the accepted religion of the country before the invasion of the Gurkhas. Although the largest town in Nepal, it is a quiet, sleepy place, much of it falling into ruins, but still most picturesque. It stands in the center of the beautiful valley, against a background of green mountains and snowy peaks—a network of narrow, twisting little streets packed full of shrines, temples, and pagodas, many of them deserted and falling into ruins, but still with exquisite bits of carving and wonderful doorways of all shapes and sizes and wonderful designs.

Many of Patan's buildings are decorated with sheets of embossed copper gilt, and everywhere the shrines are guarded by pairs of fearsome animals of enormous size. Carved stone pillars are surmounted by animals, birds, or fish modeled in metal; bells of all sizes are everywhere, and huge lotus thrones in bronze hold bronze Thunder-Bolts or Dorgis. The art of the Nepalese, or, properly speaking, the Newars, is worthy of special consideration. It was the Newars who brought art to its highest state of perfection, and their influence has extended through these hills into Sikkim, Bhutan, and Tibet. Indian influence has penetrated from the south with the advance of Buddhism, and has spread through the hills, along the Brahmaputra valley, to Lhasa, the capital of Tibet. On the other hand, Chinese influence is also strong and there has been intercourse with that country for many centuries.

Beautiful Wood Carving.
Nepalese wood carving is extraordinarily beautiful and ornate. Every scrap of wood is carved in some manner; the struts upholding the eaves of shrines represent satyrs and dragons, while windows and doors are examples of the most elaborate and minute workmanship of every conceivable design. The verandas and overhanging balconies are highly ornamented and the work on some of the pillars is very bold and striking.

In weaving, the natives are deficient, the only cloth made being a coarse cotton of no artistic value. The feudal system, which has prevailed among these hills for many years, is in a measure responsible for much of the artistic work of the natives, for it enables a man to put his whole energy into his work. He has no care about food or housing; it is to his master's and his own advantage to produce the most artistic work possible.

Nepal maintains a well-drilled and efficient army of about 82,000 infantry and 2,500 artillery, with about 100 serviceable and 150 unserviceable guns. The Maharajah is not permitted to have any intercourse with Europeans, and should the British resident or any official have occasion to interview him it is always in the presence of some Nepalese official.

CHILDREN'S MUSICAL GIFTS.

The higher musical endowments in male children are shown plainly in vocal and piano classes, where it seems probable that the most expert and brightest students are boys. For every musical girl, there appears to be five boys equally gifted. They have naturally a better idea of harmony and instinctively grasp musical values, which, in the majority of cases, become understood by their feminine rivals only by dint of hard study.—Exchange.

JAPANESE "TRIAL BY ORDEAL."

Trial by ordeal still exists in some parts of Japan. If a theft takes place in a household, all the servants are required to write a certain word with the same brush. The confessions in the waves of the ideographs written, supposed to betray its workings in tracing an ideograph involves such an effort to muscular directness and undivided attention that this device often leads to the discovery of the guilty person.

CONDENSED CLASSICS

WATERLOO

By MM. ERCKMANN-CHATRIAN

Condensation by Charles E. L. Wingate

Erckmann-Chatrian is the joint name of two French writers whose collaboration made their work that of, so to speak, one personality. The former writing chiefly and the latter editing and adapting for the stage. Emile Erckmann was born on the 20th of May, 1822, at Phalsbourg, and Louis Chatrian, Alexandre Chatrian, on the 18th of December, 1826, at Solaient, Lorraine. They began their work together in 1847 and continued doing so until 1859.

Among their first publications are "Science et Genie," "Schlagerhauss," and many short stories. The series of novels to which Erckmann-Chatrian owes in great part their reputation includes "Le Fou Yegor," "Madame Therese," "Histoire d'un Conscrit de 1813," "L'Ami Fritz," "Histoire d'Homme des Peuples," and many others. Their dramatic compositions and translations, such as "Le Chasseur des Ruines," "L'Alceste en 1814," "Their stories, dealing with the realities of the times, are distinguished by a genuine descriptive power, particularly in battle scenes and those of Alsatian peasant life.

THERE was joy unbounded when Louis the Eighteenth returned in 1814.

Yes, everybody was delighted, except the old soldiers and the fencing masters.

Living with Father Goulden in Phalsbourg, of old Lorraine, I was happy in the belief that conscription was now over, and that at last, I should be able to marry Catherine and live in peace.

So, when the marriage permit came, I rushed at once to have with the new. I kissed her again and again and we both wept for joy.

And then, after the happiness of marrying Catherine, my greatest delight lay in thinking that I should be a tradesman for the rest of my life. Ah, what a happy life! what satisfaction to be young and to have a simple, good, industrious wife! We shall never be old. I shall always love one another and always retain about us those whom we love.

Thus days and weeks went by. But, later on, we found that the returning royalists, the ministers and the princes, who had rushed back to France after Napoleon's banishment, adopted the most insolent manner toward us, the people. And as to their treatment of Napoleon's former soldiers I can still hear the commandant expostulating. "They are starving us; they are treating us like Cossacks; only they are too cowardly to shoot us!"

But, about the beginning of March, a rumor began to circulate that the emperor had escaped from Elba and had landed in France. Quickly his advance toward Paris followed; and the old soldiers, sent out to restrain him, rushed forward to kneel at his feet. Thus it was that Napoleon again came to the throne.

What happened afterward, however, was not so agreeable to me, now a married man, settled as I had hoped for a life of peace. For I was called to the colors. Aunt Gretel, who had always been like a mother to me, sobbed aloud. Catherine passed into a deadly swoon.

Yet, in spite of all, I needs must leave for the army with my old veteran soldier friend, Zebede, and at once we were rushed to the front.

One day, as we halted, the emperor came to our lines and the whole division shouted "Vive l'Empereur!" I had a good view of him as he advanced with his arms crossed behind his back and his head bent. He had grown stouter and more sorrowful since the days of Leipzig. He looked much older and his cheeks were flabby. Little wonder, also, that he appeared worried—for had he not lost everybody's confidence? The old soldiers alone retained their love for him; they were ready to conquer or to die in his behalf. But for my part I cared much more for Catherine than for the emperor. Of her I thought with greatest tenderness, the more so knowing that she would soon become a mother. And I prayed to God to preserve my life.

At last we came upon the Prussians and, driving them back at Ligny, marched on against the British.

I thought I should drop every moment from weakness, but finally near Waterloo, on mounting a little ridge, we saw the English pickets through the rain.

In a cornfield, under a beating storm, we lay like gypsies, our teeth chattering with the cold—and yet thinking of massacring our fellow men, and esteeming ourselves lucky if we had a turnip, a carrot or anything else to keep up our strength. Is that a life for honest men? Is it for that that God created us? Is it not an abomination to think that a king or an emperor, instead of encouraging commerce and diffusing liberty, should reduce us to this state by hundreds of thousands? I know that this is called glory, but people are foolish to glorify such men who have lost all sense of right and heart and religion.

When I awoke in the morning, the church-bells were ringing and I thought:

"Today is Sunday, a day of peace and rest. Father Goulden, dressed in

DEFECTIVES IN THE ORIENT.

There are 1,000,000 blind and at least 400,000 deaf in China. India has 600,000 blind. Nearly 5 per cent of the population of China is said to be physically defective, usually blind or half blind. The natives of the African jungle, instead of being the lusty savages of imagination, are for the most part physically below par. The majority of them are malnourished and diseased and marked physical defects are common.

his best coat and a clean shirt, is thinking of me. Catherine is sitting on the bed and weeping. Aunt Gretel has taken her prayer-book and is going to mass." As I pictured to myself that quiet, happy life, I could have burst into tears.

But the drums began to beat and the trumpets sounded. The first movement was when our four divisions were ordered to advance. We were about twenty thousand men marching in two lines and sinking up to our knees with every step in the soft mud. Nobody spoke a word.

Face to face with us were the English, in perfect order, their cannoneers with lighted matches in their hands. On all sides, as far as the eye could reach, nothing was to be seen but cuirassiers, helmets, swords, lances and rows of bayonets.

"What a battle!" cried Buche, my comrade-at-arms. "Woe to the English!"

And I thought as he did. I believed that not a single Englishman would escape. But bad luck pursued us that day; though, had it not been for the Prussians, I think we should have exterminated them all.

Down into the little valley we poured, right into the face of the English fire, and shouting all the time "Give them the bayonet!"

The batteries hurled their grape-shot point blank upon us. It was then, for the first time, I saw the English close at hand. They had fair skins and were clean shaven like respectable citizens. They can fight well, too—but we are as good as they. Every shot of the English told; and this forced us to break our ranks, for men are not mere paladins.

And almost at the same moment we saw a mass of red dragons, on gray horses, sweeping along like the wind and snatching our stragglers without mercy. It was one of the most terrible moments of my life as we were driven back.

What a fearful thing is a battle! Then out came Marshal Ney waving his sword in the air. Older, thinner and more hoarse than when I saw him last but still the same brave soldier with the clear eyes that seemed to take us all in.

"Forward," he cried, "I shall lead you myself!" And we rushed ahead, one after the other like a pack of wolves, until we gained the principal outpost of the British.

But suddenly the rumor spread that the Prussians were coming. I felt myself grow pale.

At that moment cries of "Vive l'Empereur!" rose from thousands of throats behind us, and looking back I saw all our cavalry of the right wing advancing to attack the solid squares of the English. It was an awesome sight. With waving sabres they rushed pell-mell again and again upon the red-coats. Twenty such charges they made, until the horses of our cuirassiers, exhausted, could no longer even walk—and there still firmly stood the great red lines, steadfast as walls.

Now all that remained for attack was the Old Guard—those wonderful veterans who had fought in Germany, in Egypt, in Spain and in Russia, of whom the Emperor took special care and who no longer knew parents or relations. They only knew the emperor who was their god. When it was said in the ranks "The Guard is going to charge," it was the same as saying, "The battle is won!"

And Ney commanded them! Upon the Guard fell the concentrated hail of bullets. In twenty minutes every officer had been dismounted and the Guard, reduced from three thousand men to twelve hundred, slowly gave way.

Now the entire English army fell upon us. And, as the remnant of the Old Guard fell backward, across the field fled hussars, cuirassiers, artillery and infantry like an army of savages.

What can I tell you more? It was utter rout. And in the valley old Blucher, with forty thousand Prussians, was looming up.

The end had come—and I wept like a child.

Back we scurried, borne down with fatigue, hunger and despair.

"Keep on!" cried Buche, the Prussians take no prisoners. Look! they are cutting down everyone!"

So back, even to Paris we fled, and there we learned that hostilities were to be suspended, that the emperor had gone, and that the king was returning to the throne. Desertions began.

I hurried on from village to village and at last reached Phalsbourg—and my home.

Up the stairs I sprang; Catherine was in my arms. I fell to sobbing so violently that one would have thought misfortune had come upon me.

The first words of Catherine were, "Joseph, I knew that you would come back. I had put my trust in God."

Thus happiness finally reached us. Now I have lived to see the return of the flag of liberty and to see the nation increase in wealth, in education and in happiness. People begin to understand their rights. They know that war only brings increase of taxation and suffering; and when the people, as masters, shall say, "Instead of sending our sons to perish by thousands beneath the sword and the cannon, we will have them taught and made men!" who will dare gainsay them?

In this hope I bid you farewell, my friends, and I embrace you with all my heart.

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EMPRESS LOST HER BITCHES

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"The occasion I am speaking of, when I first came into personal contact with her, was a meet of the barriers, which took place, at her special request, at Farnborough hall. She came out onto the gravel sweep in front of the house, and her manner was more gracious and winning than any manner I had previously seen, as she bowed right and left to the awestruck field, saying repeatedly:

"Put on your 'ats; I pray you, put on your 'ats."

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Only Passing Injury.

A bricklayer was working on a scaffold. Suddenly a brick slipped from his hand. Down through the air it whizzed, to alight mercilessly on the head of his mate, who was working below.

The unfortunate man started dancing about and groaning in agony. The bricklayer stared down at him, with something like contempt in his eyes.

"Come, come," he called down at last. "It can't have hurt as much as that, man! Why, it wasn't on your head half a second!"—Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.

From First to Last.

Henry was called from his play about four o'clock one afternoon recently, his sister saying:

"Time to clean up; come on."

Henry, who is dutiful, looked up and inquired:

"I gotta take a bath?"

"Yes, sir!"

"A whole one?"

Laughter drowned the answer.

Another Way.

"Did you hear about that home brew blowing up?"

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Curtains are hung over the window and a pair of inside shutters partly closed add to the setting. A plant in a small pot rests on the window sill outside the window. The whole is lighted by electricity, the lamp being out of sight, outside and above the window.

The indirect lighting, the window, the flower and the curtain combine to destroy the feeling that you are in a room with no outlet to open the air and adds a cheerfulness that could be obtained in no other way.—Chicago Journal.

Another Way.

"Did you hear about that home brew blowing up?"

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NOT SO EASY AS TO POKE A
FIRE.

Who, you ask, wants to think about
poking a fire these hot July days?
Well we don't especially want to but
we are compelled to think about run-
ning our newspaper and the long
sizzling, dry spell, the end of which
is not yet in sight, almost makes us
look forward with delight to the days
when it will be a joy to poke the fire.
But think. Before us still most of
July and August and the possibility
of half or more of September thru
which this aridity and torridity may
run. Oh, let us think on Greenland's
icy mountains a while and, at least,
cool our minds if not our bodies.

It is not exactly the discomfort of
the weather that is agitating our
brains this moment. We were ponder-
ing the things the editor of a
great English newspaper said when
he declared that "There are people
who think you can run a newspaper
about as easily as you can poke a
fire and that knowledge, training and
aptitude are superfluous endow-
ments."

Even we who run a small country
town newspaper feel the need of a
special endowment venerated by the
famous editor. In fact, we some-
times wonder if it does not require
a higher order of ability to run a
small country town newspaper effec-
tively than it does a great city
daily. The latter has back of it a
marvelous organization with experts
of trained ability at the head of each
department and so equipped with fa-
cilities, both of wire and wireless to
range the world over hourly, yes, al-
most every minute, for matter to fill
its pages. Needless to remark that
no such organization and equipment
is possible for the country paper un-
less it has back of it some plundering
plutocrat who finances the paper for
the fun of it. Such plutocrats are
few and far between. Indeed, just
now we cannot think of even one
such.

Rightly considered, country town
newspaper is more a local public in-
stitution than a private business en-
terprise. Therefore, then, every in-
telligent thoughtful member of the
community should be alert to help
to make the paper as useful, interest-
ing and influential for good as possi-
ble. The ways in which this can be
done are many. Just now we have
neither time nor space to outline any
of them. Meanwhile we will be
pleased to receive from our readers
any suggestions which may occur to
them.

As a closing word to this we want
to say that we often wonder if any
resident of Crawford County would
like to have the county be without
a newspaper, and to ask who would
not reflect upon their attitude to-
ward the Avalanche and towards
those who run it.

CAMPERS HAVE TENTED VIL-
LAGE AT LAKE MAR-
GRETHE.

The extreme warm weather brot
a number of campers to Lake Mar-
grethe within the past few weeks.
A number of Grayling families have
pitched their tents on the beach and
are enjoying the breezes of the lake.
The tents are in the vicinity of Col-
len's Inn and every few days new par-
ties arrive and pitch their tents.

Among those who are camping in
this little settlement are the Anthony
Trudeau, the Arnold Burrows fam-
ilies, and Mr. and Mrs. Burrows are
entertaining the latter's sister Miss
Hazel Walker and her chum, Miss
Anna Fisher of Cheboygan. Mr. and
Mrs. Clarence Brown, and the Her-
bert Gothro family have quarters
nearby and will remain all summer.
Mrs. Brown's mother, Mrs. Frank
Woodruff and son Kenneth of Bay
City are visiting them. Mr. and
Mrs. Alva Roberts and son Junior
and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Trudo and
daughter Shirley are in another par-
ty. Messrs. Leo Schram, Gordon
Chamberlin, Paul Reinhart, Harold
Schmidt, Harold McNeven, Thorwald
Peterson, William Poor, Lionel La-
Grove, Eugene and Murphree and Harry
Cook are spending the summer at the
lake their camps being located near
the lake front, but down among the
cottages.

Among the resorters at the Canvas
Village are Mr. and Mrs. J. W.
Bailey of Lansing, who have been in
Grayling for a number of weeks.
They have with them a unique camp
train and seem to be enjoying them-
selves very much. They motored
thru from Georgia, where they had
been visiting. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey
were old residents of Grayling, and
Mr. Bailey has enjoyed telling at
gatherings around camp-fires which
are built in the evening, of the time
in days long gone by of how lumber-
ing operations were carried on in the
vicinity of Portage Lake, now Lake
Margrethe, and where the railroad
that transported the lumber was lo-
cated and the mill that was used in
the manufacture of it. This was in
1869. He says since leaving Gray-
ling he has longed to get back just
for a visit. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey are
interesting people and their presence
at the lake is being much enjoyed.

The folks of this little canvas vil-
lage spend the evenings telling tales
around camp fires, rowing, or dancing
to the music of a victrola at Col-
len's Inn. This year more than ever be-
fore, the camping parties at Lake
Margrethe have increased.

AUTO DRIVERS NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that reckless
and fast driving and driving without
the regulation lights of not less than
one light in front and one light in the
rear, must be discontinued on the
streets of Grayling. Such carelessness
is dangerous and unfair to pedestrians
and other drivers who try and obey
the law. It is my intention to cause
the arrest of such careless offenders,
and this warning is given for the pur-
pose of cautioning auto drivers.

Alvin LaChappelle, Constable.

Don't forget the lawn fete at the
Joseph-Kraus lawns Thursday eve-
ning, July 28. Everybody welcome.
Refreshments, music and entertain-
ment.

LOCAL NEWS

B. A. Cooley made a business trip
to Gaylord Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Roblin have as
their guest Mr. Roblin's sister.

For tally and place cards go to the
Gift Shop. New line just received.

William McNeven and family mot-
ored to Cadillac Saturday to spend
Sunday.

Grant Thompson of St. Helens
spent the week-end in Grayling visit-
ing friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Lozinsky of De-
troit are visiting at the home of Dr.
and Mrs. Jos. Smith.

Clarence and Edwin Morfit have
gone to Recreation camp near East
Tawas for a few weeks' outing.

Elvira Underhill is enjoying a
week's vacation from her duties at
the Avalanche office, resorting at Lake
Margrethe.

Mrs. Chas. Fehr is entertaining a
party of ladies this afternoon in hon-
or of Mrs. Charles Peterson of Los
Angeles.

Miss Edith Olatrom arrived Tues-
day from Ludington and is visiting at
the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles
Adams.

Mrs. Sigwald Hanson is enjoying a
visit from her mother, Mrs. Struble
of Shepherd, who will remain for
several weeks.

Mrs. Cameron Game and children
have returned from Lake City, where
they have been spending the past
couple of weeks resorting.

Miss Ruth McCullough has been
entertaining Miss Erna Sisson of
Gaylord the past week. Miss Sisson
returned home today.

Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Doty are en-
joying a visit from the former's
mother and sister, Mrs. Ella and
Miss Mabel Doty of Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Christy of
Sterling stopped at the Harrison
Cameron home over last night on
their way north on a motor trip.

Miss MacGilvery, daughter of M.
MacGilvery, traveling salesman for
Bay City Grocery Company, and a
girl friend are in the city for a vis-
it.

Mrs. R. D. Bailey and daughter
Janice of Gaylord visited Mr. Bailey
here over Sunday. The family en-
tertained Professor C. E. Smith of
Washington, D. C.

Fire insurance should be a year
ahead—not a minute late. Safe-
guard your property now with the
Palmer Fire Insurance Agency. Av-
alanche building.

Major and Mrs. Powers and two
daughters of Lansing are spending a
couple of weeks at the reservation at
Lake Margrethe. They arrived Tues-
day.

Mr. and Mrs. James Milnes of De-
troit are visiting at the William Neil
and Jos. Smith homes. Mrs. Milnes
is a sister of Mrs. Neil and Mrs.
Smith.

Mrs. Roy Bricker spent a few
days in Grayling the guest of her
mother, Mrs. W. E. Smith and sister,
Mrs. O. W. Hanson and family. She
will return to her home in Cass City
this afternoon.

Lorraine Sparkes is suffering with
blood poisoning in his right hand,
caused from a bug biting him on the
first finger. Part of the time he has
been unable to be at his place in the
Bank where is his bookkeeper.

"Servant at large," wanted—Posi-
tion with several families divided
best of references given, wages no ob-
ject, guaranteed not to leave or dis-
appoint; helpful at all times. Big
Ben alarm clock, find me at "The
Gift Shop."

Mr. Nels Michelson of Detroit ar-
rived in Grayling last week to spend
a few days with his sons, Frank, Axel
and Olaf and their families at Lake
Margrethe. He is accompanied by
his grand-son Nelson Hartwick.
Mr. Michelson will also visit his lum-
ber mill and farm at Houghton lake,
a party of about ten planning to go
there Saturday next.

HOW TO KILL CHICKEN.

One of the most satisfactory and
humane ways to kill a bird is to hang
it head downward and cut the main
veins in the neck at the base of the
skull, so that quick bleeding is as-
sured, say home economic specialists,
United States Department of Agri-
culture. As soon as the veins are
cut the brain should be pierced with a
sharp, stiff, slender knife, to kill
the bird and cause the feathers to
loosen. If the proper areas in the
brain are destroyed by the knife
thrust, the feathers may be plucked
easily and without tearing the skin.
The common way is to plunge the
carcass into boiling water, but this
destroys the natural appearance of
the skin and increases the chances of
decomposition. A bird should be
cooled as quickly as possible, pre-
ferably by keeping it in a dry cold
place. In warm weather, when no
dry cold place is available, it should
be cooled in cold water. Dry chilled
fowls are better than those cooled
in water.

Prevention is better than cure in
poultry business as in any other de-
partment of life. Filth, dampness,
improper ventilation, improper feed-
ing, and introducing infected birds
into the yard are common causes of
disease. Clean the dropping boards
daily, and then sprinkle them with
road dust, coal ashes, or land plas-
ter to absorb the liquid excrement.
New straw should be put into the
nests every two or three weeks or
often, especially if it should become
damp or dirty. Whitewash the
quarters once a year at least, late in
the summer or early in the fall.

Our Want Ads Bring Quick Results.

HOW DO YOU SAY IT?

By C. N. Lurie

Common Errors in English and
How to Avoid Them

"VERBAL" AND "ORAL."

THESE two words, "verbal" and
"oral" are misused frequently
even by persons who are careful in
their choice of words. We hear dia-
logues such as the following: "Did
you send him a letter accepting his
terms?" "No, I gave him a verbal
reply."

For the word "verbal" in the sen-
tence just quoted, the word "oral,"
should be substituted, since "verbal"
means "consisting of words," and
"oral" means "by word of mouth." A
verbal message may, therefore, be
given either in writing or in speech,
an oral message only in speech. It
should be said, however, that while
grammarians generally make this dis-
tinction, and express a desire for its
general adoption, they say also that
the word "verbal" has been employed
so long and so generally as a synonym
for "oral" that it is probably hope-
less to try to establish the distinc-
tion in common usage.

(Copyright.)

A LINE O' CHEER

By John Kendrick Bangs.

RESOLVE.

The Brooklet with its ice is chill
Yet holds its courses with a will
To reach the distant sea,
Nor lets the woe
Of drift and snow
Enchain its purpose free.

And so when clouds is my sky,
And obstacles are mounting high,
Tormenting to my soul,
Whate'er impedes
I too shall speed
On to my chosen goal.

(Copyright.)



PEN-KNIVES.

THE handy little knife you carry in
your pocket was evolved of neces-
sity in the days when people wrote
with quill pens instead of steel. The
quills wore down or broke, and it was
necessary to reshape them. Scriv-
ers found it handy to have a
straight knife always with them, so
the present folding article was invent-
ed to fill the want. The name survives
though the use has gone.

(Copyright.)



"I suppose your idea of a perfect
woman is one who has no faults."
"No, merely one who acknowledges
them."

THOT GEMS.

After you are dead, the community
will flock in and ask: "Is there any-
thing I can do?"

The best kind of a "business head"
is one that co-operates with a pair
of good business hands.

GARDEN NOTES.

By R. E. Lorie M. A. C. Horticultural
Department.

Quality in vegetables depends
largely upon their being used while
strictly fresh. Chemists tell us that
sweet corn loses 50 per cent of its
sugar contents within four hours af-
ter it has been removed from the
stalk.

Corn, beans, peas and all other
vegetables used for canning, drying,
or table use should be prepared as
soon as possible after they are gath-
ered, if vegetables of high quality
are desired.

Make your garden work all sum-
mer by sowing a succession of crops.
Succession crops are valuable because
they furnish a supply of fresh vege-
tables for fall and winter use.

Try these for planting now in the
spaces where the early short-season
crops have been grown: Bush beans,
turnip beets, lettuce, summer ra-
dishes, winter radishes, kohlrabi,
rutabaga, turnip, and chinese or cel-
ery cabbage.

There is still time to sow seeds of
perennial flowering plants. Make the
soil in which they are sown very fine
and keep it cool and moist by shading
and frequent watering.

ONE DOLLAR SAVED REPRE-
SENTS TEN DOLLARS
EARNED.

The average man does not save to
exceed ten per cent of his earnings.
He must spend nine dollars in living
expenses for every dollar saved.
That being the case he can not be
too careful about unnecessary ex-
penses. Very often a few cents
properly invested, like buying seeds
for his garden, will save several dol-
lars outlay later on. It is the same
in buying Chamberlain's Colic and
Diarrhoea Remedy. It costs but a
few cents, and a bottle of it in the
house often saves a doctor's bill of
several dollars. Advertisement.

TRESPASSING FORBIDDEN.

Notice is hereby given that all per-
sons are forbidden to trespass on
my land on the Maple Forest road near
the East branch river for the pur-
pose of digging angleworms or other
purposes. Violators will be prose-
cuted.

LEONARD ISENHAUER.

WANTS

Advertisements will be accept-
ed under this heading at the
rate of 5 cents per line. No
adv. taken for less than 25 cts.
There are about six words to the
line.
SEND MONEY WITH ORDER

A FINANCIAL ORGANIZATION
of National Standing requires for
this vicinity and in connection with
its Bay City office, the services of
an intelligent man, over 25 years
of age. Experience in banking de-
sired but not essential. Applica-
tion in person only will be consid-
ered. An appointment may be made
by phone, 501 Phoenix Block,
Phone 2377, Bay City, Mich. 7-21-22.

WANTED—HOUSEWORK, DINING
room or chamber work. Have had
considerable experience in them all.
Mrs. Frank McKale, Spencer, Mich.

WANTED—SEWING, CHILDREN'S
clothing a specialty. Prices rea-
sonable. Bessie M. Richardson,
Park St. or call 724.

LOST—GRIP ON ROAD BETWEEN
Grayling and Lovells Tuesday af-
ternoon, July 12. Finder please
leave at Avalanche Office.
7-14-23.

FEMALE HELP WANTED—GIRL
to help with general work in small
hotel; \$7.00 a week and board.
Lewiston Hotel, Lewiston, Mich.

LOST—IN FRONT OF H. A. BAU-
man residence a black leather pock-
et book, containing a green gold
pen and pencil, owner's card and
New York shopping card. Reward
offered for its return.

FOR SALE—BUICK 4 TOURING
car. In good running order. Will
sell cheap. A. F. Gierke, Gray-
ling, Mich. 7-7-22.

FOR SALE—PURE-BRED, NICE-
ly marked, Holstein bull calf. A.
F. Gierke, Grayling, Mich. 7-7-22.

FOR SALE—EIGHT ROOM HOUSE
north of Hospital, also some fur-
niture and flock of Plymouth Rock
chickens. Mrs. J. M. Bunting.

FOR SALE—FURNISHED COT-
tage at Lake Margrethe. Address
J. W. Garrison, Worthington, Ohio.
R. F. D. No. 1. 5-26-22.

MALE HELP WANTED—IDLE?
Big business is ready for you. Sell
137 products direct to farmers on
credit. If you own team or auto,
are under 50, can give bond, we
start you. Twenty million use our
products. Good territory open.
Write J. R. Watkins Co., Dept.
114, Winona, Minn. It's your life
chance. 7-7-22.

Whenever you think of fire insur-
ance, think "Palmer Fire Insurance
Agency." Insurance in all its branch-
es. O. P. Schumann, Mgr.

THE SAME EVERYWHERE.

The editor of Poisa Akhbar, a na-
tive newspaper of Lahore, India, says,
"I have used Chamberlain's Colic and
Diarrhoea Remedy many times among
my children and servants, for colic
and diarrhoea and always found it
effective."—Advertisement.

Clean-up Sale

Well it is nice to smile when you have something
to smile for.

My Cleaning-up Sale not only created smiles, but
real benefit. There are times when it seems not only
hard, but it is hard to realize money as we have in past
few strenuous years.

Last Saturday showed the people are taking ad-
vantage, also this week. I will give you the benefit fol-
lowing the reading of this add but it is what is behind it.

10 doz. of Men's Socks 15c or 2 for 25c
Boys' Bleached Union Suits..... 69c
Boy's Elk Skins..... \$2.69
Men's Elk Skins..... 2.98
Men's \$7.00 Oxfords..... 5.85
In brown or black.
1 Lot in brown English rubber heels..... 3.95
Boys' High School Hats..... 97c
Men's and Ladies' Harvest Hats..... 25 to 45c
Men's work Shirts..... 89c
1 Lot of Ladies' Hose, brown or black, 15c or 2 for 25c
1 Lot at 25c
Ladies Unionsuit at..... 49c
Ladies Voile Dresses..... \$6.45
Ladies' Gingham dresses..... 2.98
Ladies' and Men's bathing suits, nicely trimmed,
worth \$6.00 and \$7.00 for..... \$4.85
Hair nets in all shades and styles..... 10c
Nice line of laces..... 9c
Suit Cases are going fast..... \$1.89 and up.
Handbags..... \$3.50
Ladies' large purses..... 1.50
Girls' middie Waists, blue, red, green trimmed in
white at..... \$1.69 and \$1.85
Ladies' Petticoats..... \$1.35 and \$1.95
Spool Silk Thread..... 8c
Organdie in blue, apple green, navy blue and
brown..... 38 to 90c
1 Lot of Children Rompers close out at..... 88c
Ladies' Wash Skirts trimmed in pearl but-
tons at..... \$2.85
Bathing Shoes, red, blue, white and green..... \$1.50

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The New Store on Cedar St.

If you want real tangible
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Beef roast, beef
steak, beef stew—
tenderloin, sirloin
or any portion you
prefer.

A good big fresh
supply of beef has
just reached us.
Get your favor-
ite cuts while they
last.

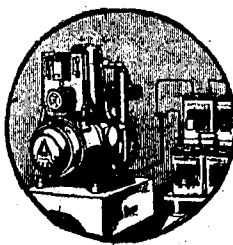
We also have some
nice corned beef.
Why not come in
and select a good big
beef order while you
have the opportunity.

Prices and Meat That Meet Your Favor

**ARNOLD S. BURROWS
MEAT MARKET**
CASH AND CARRY
GRAYLING, MICH.

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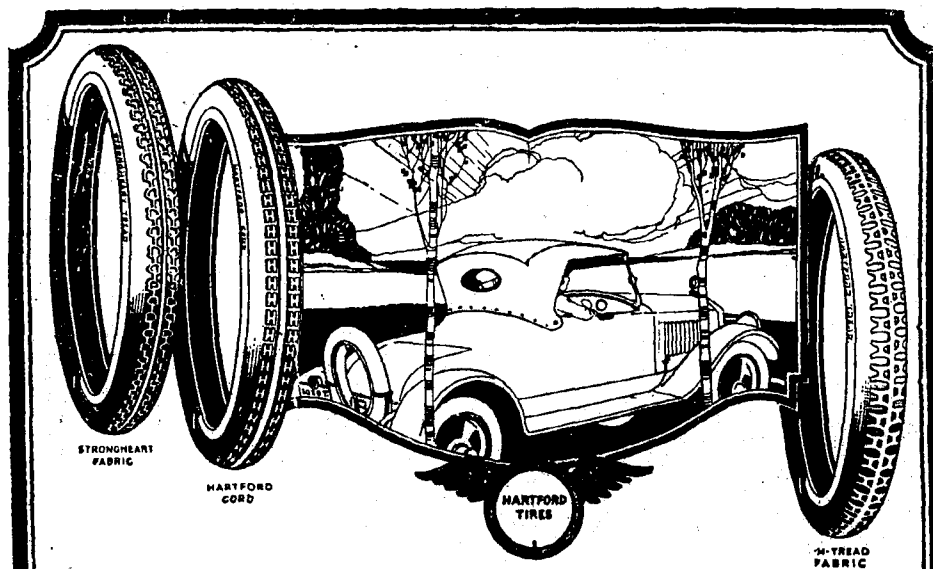
DELCO-LIGHT



Do you want things more handy
around the house and barn? Put
in Delco-Light. It furnishes electric
power for operating light machinery.
It furnishes electric lights for the
house and barn. It pumps and forces
the water to wherever you want
it, and does other useful work.

GEO. BURKE
Phone 50-50.

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that Hartford Tires and
Tubes will be found at so
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Into Hartford Tires are
built all the years and all the
ability of Hartford expe-
rience, running back to
before the time the first
automobile was built.

Hartford developed
the single tube bicycle tire.

Out of this tire developed
the fabric that is now
being used in automobile
fabric tires all over the
world.

Hartford Tires cost you
no more to begin with
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And for every dollar you
pay for Hartford Tires you
get a full dollar's worth of
service in return.

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**TOILET
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and Keep Pleased
with Your
Appearance



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Every woman wants to be as attractive as possible. And it's perfectly right that she should be.

Actresses are more envied and admired, perhaps, than any other class of women. Yet they are not always the most beautiful.

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TRULY A GOOD DRUG STORE

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DRUGGIST & BOOKSELLER

The Small Store

CANDIES CIGARS TOBACCO

LOCAL NEWS

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, JULY 21

Miss Pauline Fehr has been ill at her home.

Frank Tetu was in West Branch over Sunday.

Harry Reynolds spent Sunday in East Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Smith motored to Cadillac Saturday returning Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. Love of West Branch visited with Mrs. Ada Knight Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Laura Thompson, of Twining, Mich., teacher in our schools is in the city visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Dunham and children are visiting with relatives in Sterling and Detroit.

Mrs. Holger Schmidt returned home Wednesday from Detroit after a week's visit with friends.

Misses Marguerite and Genevieve Montour are visiting relatives in Standish for a week or so.

William Green spent the week end in Bay City attending the Grotto Encampment at Wenona Beach.

The world is filled with failures who think everybody is against them but who failed because they were given certain tasks to perform and went joy-riding instead of performing them.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hanson returned Friday from a three weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Willard Campbell in Mt. Pleasant. While there the parties made visits to many cities in Central Michigan.

Frank Fitzgerald has returned to Sherman, Mich., after a visit with his parents here. His brother Lookie Fitzgerald, who is also in Sherman for the summer came home the latter part of the week for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gillett will leave tonight for Saginaw to drive back the new Dodge they purchased recently.

Miss Mae McDermald of Flint, formerly of Frederic visited over Sunday with Miss Minnie Daugherty, and Monday left to visit old friends in Frederic.

Mrs. Frank Woodruff who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Brown is spending a few days in Hillman, but expects to return here for a longer visit.

R. D. Bailey was called home first of the week by the illness of his mother. The latter passed away Tuesday. He accompanied the remains to Vermont for burial, and will return in a few days.

The Womans Club has secured thru the State Board of Health the film "Out of the Shadows." This can be seen at the Grayling Opera House Thursday and Friday nights, July 21 and 22.

Plute glass tops emphasize the beauty of wood used in fine furniture and protect the surface so that the original finish is retained indefinitely. Furnished in all sizes and shapes for furniture. Sorenson Bros.

I wish to call the attention of property owners that all noxious weeds on their premises must be cut at once. Special care should be given to the destroying of rag weeds. Please get busy and get this done. Julius Nelson, St. Com.

If it is riding comfort you desire, and satisfactory car service daily, year in and year out, you will find it in a Studebaker. If you are thinking of getting a car come and let us show you the Studebaker. Harry E. Simpson, dealer for Roscommon and Crawford counties.

Mrs. Mary Shanahan, who has been in Battle Creek for a number of weeks, having had the misfortune to break one of her legs while visiting at the home of relatives, returned home Friday. She had been at a hospital in Battle Creek for some time and later removed to the home of her sister. She is improving slowly from the injury. Her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Letzkus and son Frank accompanied her home.

The Postoffice building is being nicely repainted.

Good music at Michelson Memorial church next Sunday at 10:30. Come.

Mrs. John Mathieson left Monday for Bay City to be gone for a few days.

Daniel Hoell is moving his large barn further to the rear of his lot at his home.

Boyd J. Funsch and Conrad Wehnes of Eldorado were business callers here Wednesday.

Mrs. Walter Nadieu is spending a few days in Detroit leaving for that place Sunday night.

Miss Ruth Brenner is taking a week's vacation from her duties at the Grayling Mercantile Co. store.

The fine rains of the last few days have done wonders for crops. Everything is growing "to beat the band."

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Larson and Miss Margaret Larson are resorting at the Danish landing at Lake Margrethe.

Miss Minnie Daugherty returned Saturday from a two weeks' vacation spent in Detroit, Flint and at Point Lookout.

Be on hand next Sunday at 10:30 for service at the Michelson Memorial church. Last service before pastor's vacation.

Mrs. Guy Bradley and children of Royal Oak are guests of Mrs. Bradley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Tromble.

The Grayling Dowel and Tie Plug Co. have resumed operations after being closed down for a couple of weeks for repairs.

Beautiful lacey summer hats, large black hats, fine Milan sailors, going for less than cost at Cooley & Redson's.

Miss Beatrice Hoell is spending a month in Bay City visiting her aunts, Mrs. John McClellan and Miss Blanche Blondin.

Next Sunday morning will be the last service before the pastor's vacation. Come to the Michelson Memorial church.

Mrs. Howard Bradley returned Tuesday afternoon from a few days' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wolcott at Gaylord.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred P. Hughes at Mercy hospital, Thursday morning. He has been named Roger Charles.

Dr. and Mrs. Claude Keyport entertained 18 ladies and gentlemen at dinner Thursday evening at Goodard's resort on the AuSable.

Miss Nettie Billings entertained her cousin Miss Margaret Billings of Flint a few days last week. She returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Lewis were hosts to a number of friends at a "beach roast" at their cottage at Lake Margrethe Monday evening.

Paul Marienthal spent a few days visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. Brenner. He returned to Chicago Monday afternoon.

Alden Maynard of Bay City who has been visiting his aunts, Mrs. J. A. Cramer and Mrs. Adam Gierke returned to his home Saturday afternoon.

During Mr. Bailey's absence if there are any farmers desiring arsenic for grasshopper poisoning they may get it by applying to M. A. Bates, Grayling.

Emerson Bates returned home Tuesday morning from Pontiac after a couple of weeks' visit with his sister, Mrs. Benjamin Jerome and family.

Mrs. D. M. Howell entertained a few ladies Saturday afternoon in honor of her mother, Mrs. Sorenson of Marshall, Wis. and sister, Mrs. Grey of Milwaukee.

James McNeven is taking a week's vacation from his duties as deliveryman at the Salling Hanson Co. store and with his family made a trip to Boyne City this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith and son Casper of Flint, who are visiting the McNeven families in Grayling, spent a part of last week guests of Mr. Smith's parents in Gaylord.

Mr. and Mrs. True Alexander and children motored through from Ontonagon visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Collins for a couple of days. Mr. Alexander is a brother of Mrs. Collins.

W. E. McCullough left Sunday night for Detroit after spending a couple of weeks at Lake Margrethe. His family will remain for a longer visit with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McCullough.

Miss Kate Morvin of Austria, Hungary, arrived in Grayling and is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Starasich. She is a niece of the latter and expects to remain in this country.

Mr. and Mrs. William Russell and daughter Betty Jane of Bay City stopped over night at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schreck enroute to Newberry to visit Mr. Russell's parents.

Frank Freeland, W. A. McNeal, Julius Jensen, P. L. Brown and Phil Moran attended the Grotto encampment in Bay City the latter part of the week. They motored through in Mr. Freeland's auto.

Miss Irene Green returned Tuesday to her home in West Branch after visiting Miss Gladys Clark for a couple of weeks. Miss Gladys accompanied her to West Branch to visit for the remainder of the week.

See "Out of the Shadows" at the Grayling Opera House Thursday and Friday nights this week. It is instructive and the Womans club requests that you do not miss this opportunity of seeing a film which is in great demand.

Mrs. Andrew Smith, entertained a number of ladies Tuesday afternoon of last week in honor of Mrs. Charles Peterson of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. Frank Smith of Flint. Both ladies were old schoolmates of Mrs. Smith, attending the Grayling schools. Mrs. Smith in those days was known as Miss Augusta Olson. Mrs. Peterson as Miss Allie Croteau and Mrs. Smith as Miss Mary backe ebeus IsaacApollb as etoinet McNeven. The afternoon brought back memories of by-gone days, and was much enjoyed by those present.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Walker of Saginaw are visiting at the home of Alec Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cripps motored from Mio Saturday afternoon and remained until Tuesday morning visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whipple.

Mrs. Marius Hanson entertained a large number of ladies at a tea party Tuesday. Afternoon at her cottage. Everyone had a most delightful time.

Mr. U. R. Layman of Cadillac, father of Mrs. E. V. Barber has been suffering with blood poisoning in one of his feet, but is slowly improving at present. Mrs. Layman is also visiting at the home of her daughter.

Mrs. James Lepard and children Genevieve and Erklus left Tuesday afternoon to join Mr. Lepard and daughter Josephine, who have been in West Branch almost all summer farming. The family expect to remain until fall.

Mrs. Herbert Gothro was called to Oscoda, Friday by the sudden death of her brother, Mr. Will Heneeger. The Gothro family with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brown had just went to Lake Margrethe that day for a couple of weeks outing.

Among those resorting at Lake Margrethe are a party of young ladies, who are occupying the Cassidy cottage. Those in the party are Mrs. Elvira Underhill, Misses Kathryn Brown, Verna Biggs, Arveya Tetu, Beesie Brown, Nola and Elizabeth Sheehy and Masters Carlyle Brown and Reginald Sheehy.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bennett returned from Midland last Friday, where they had been called a few days previous, their little grandson, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Baker having been injured when struck by an automobile. They were accompanied by Mr. Bennett's sister, Mrs. George Wilson and daughter, Florence, who will visit here for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Strehl and son Francis of East Jordan were guests over Sunday of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Brown. They made the trip by motor and Miss Clara Nelson, who had been their guest for a week, returned with them. On their return home Sunday evening they took Miss Helen Brown, sister of Mrs. Strehl with them for couple of weeks' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gates and son Bobbie of Clare motored to Grayling Saturday night and are visiting Mrs. Gates' parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Wingard. Mr. Gates was accompanied by Mr. Ralph Heather of Clare who has a trailer with him that he manufactured himself. He wants to advertise the advantages of such an article and wished to have photographs taken of same near lakes and rivers and Mr. Gates advised him to come to Grayling, so Mr. Wingard took a series of pictures at Lake Margrethe and also down the AuSable. Yesterday the party left for Houghton Lake and expect to return to Clare Saturday.

Miss Verna Biggs of the Sorenson Bros. store is enjoying a week's outing at Lake Margrethe.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Buckholtz are visiting Mr. Buckholtz's parents at Tawas City.

Don't forget the lawn fete at the Joseph-Kraus lawns Thursday evening, July 28. Everybody welcome. Refreshments, music and entertainment.

There have been a number of forest fires in South Branch lately. One fire of last week burned over nearly a section of land. The late rains did much toward putting them out.

Mrs. E. G. Clark, Miss Kathryn Clark and Mrs. George N. Olson and daughter Georgianna returned Friday afternoon from Oxford, Orion and Detroit, where they had been visiting relatives since the fore part of the month.

Mrs. S. S. Phelps, Jr., and three daughters of Detroit are at Lake Margrethe to spend the remainder of the month of July. Also Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hanson and two children of Detroit are at the same cottage on Colleen's landing.

There will be a baseball game next Sunday, July 24 at Frederic. Fredrick vs. Deward. Each of these teams have won a game. This will be to decide the winner. This is sure to be a hot game. Come and see it, it will be worth your time and money.

Edgar McPhee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Angus McPhee and Meredith Cameron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Cameron left this week for the Boys' Training camp at Camp Grant, Illinois. They were among the several Grayling boys who made application for training at this camp.

Gladys, the 22 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Wehnes of Eldorado passed away at their home Tuesday night. She was taken suddenly ill at 6:30 o'clock and died at 11:30. Dr. Curnalia of Roscommon was called but the little girl died before he reached there. He pronounced spinal meningitis as the cause of death. Besides Gladys there are three other small children in the family—Laurel, Edith and Edward. The funeral will be held from the family home today; interment will be in Eldorado cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Underhill of Detroit arrived in the city first of the week to spend a couple of days with the latter's mother, Mrs. Henry Bousson. They left Tuesday for Long Beach, Calif., where they intend to make their home. Mr. Underhill, who is a son of Dr. C. F. Underhill, formerly of Lovells, but now of California, says that he received a telegram from his father last week saying that he had struck oil on his place, two wells of which are yielding 500 barrels a day, and asked him to come at once. Alfred resigned his position on the police force in Detroit at once to take up his duties with his father.

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Rev. Doty and family will leave Monday for Bay View where they intend to spend about three weeks.

We still have some hats on hand that you can have a wonderful bargain on. Call at Cooley & Redson's.

Major Grievess and family of Lansing arrived in Grayling yesterday for a few weeks' outing at Lake Margrethe.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bailey motored to East Jordan Wednesday for a short visit.

Mrs. J. P. Davidson and son Gordon returned Friday from a couple of weeks' visit in Georgetown, Ontario, and other points in the Canadian country.

Last Monday afternoon Fred Hanson, Mrs. Victor Sorenson and Mrs. Severin Jensen had a narrow escape from being seriously injured. They had gone raspberrying near Frederic and the ladies had alighted from the auto and as Mr. Hanson was about to park the auto, a large tree was blown down by the wind and crashed onto the car smashing in the top and the seats. Mr. Hanson, received a few scratches, but otherwise was not injured. It happened during the heavy wind and thunder storm that swept through this section that afternoon.

A fine garage is being built at the Military reservation, near the ware-houses. It will be L shape, 100 feet along one side and 50 feet along the other side. It will be built of cement blocks and have a composition shingle roof. There will be seven large entrance doors, each with glass panels in the upper half. Bridges & Diltz are the contractors and Sergt. Henry Baumgras and Geo. Schabbe are the superintendents of construction. The structure was informally designed by Geo. Stracks, of the quartermaster department. The foundation of the garage is already finished and the work of laying the wall was begun this morning. Besides a garage, the place will be used as a paint shop, blacksmith shop and carpenter shop. It is expected that the building will be finished in about two weeks.

WOMANS CLUB TO GIVE LAWN FETE.

Thursday Evening, July 28, on the Joseph-Kraus Lawns.

Don't forget the lawn fete to be given on the Joseph-Kraus lawns Thursday evening, July 28.

There will be home talent vaudeville, costume dancing and many other attractions, besides the Lewis Orchestra. There will be an admission charge of 25c for adults and 15c for children. Those desiring tables will be charged 25c per couple. Reservations may be made with Mrs. Olaf Michelson and at Lewis' Drug store. There will be plenty of comfortable seats free for those not wanting tables.

The gate will open at 8:00 o'clock. Everybody welcome. The proceeds of the fete will go into the civic fund of the Womans club.

NOTICE.

Laws relative to the operation of motor vehicles in the State of Michigan will be strictly enforced in the Village.

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Village Council.

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All firemen under the supervision of the Fire Chief in the handling of the fire apparatus at all fires are instructed to obey all orders given by Fire Chief.

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STATE NEWS

Port Huron—The Sault and Port Huron Loyal Orange lodges held a celebration in London, Ont.

Houghton—Michigan College of Mines alumni will gather in Houghton Aug. 5 and 6 for their annual reunion.

Mancelona—George A. Thomas of near Bellaire was arrested for the fifth time, charged with carelessly letting a forest fire run.

Holland—Lambert Kraal, 65 years old, a farmer near Zeeland, hanged himself in his barn. He was possessed with the idea that the devil was after him.

Muskegon—The crews at four coastguard stations on the east side of Lake Michigan, including White Lake, Pentwater and Sleeping Bear point have been reduced to two men.

Hillsdale—Glen Glauque, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Glauque, of this city, was drowned at Sand Lake about four miles from the city. The body was recovered 45 minutes after he went down.

Battle Creek—Rationed ice may be necessary in several cities in southwestern Michigan. Last winter's scant harvest has been greatly reduced by the drain on it caused by the prolonged heat.

Petoskey—Petoskey police, Sheriff Purple and Petoskey's bloodhound are assisting Sheriff Weaver, of Charlevoix, in the search for Frank Trombley, a Marion youth held in jail for burglary, who escaped through the ventilator.

Monroe—Mrs. James Wagner, 21, of Dundee, was drowned in six feet of water in the River Raisin while bathing with her sister, Mabel Brundie, and a brother. The brother narrowly escaped drowning in an attempt to save her.

Menominee—Throwing his two-year-old child from his lap to safety from the front seat of his automobile when he saw danger ahead, Abraham Goodman was killed as his car skidded into a deep ditch and overturned. The child was little hurt.

Muskegon—The business depression has caused an epidemic of desertion and non-support cases in Muskegon. Such warrants have increased 500 per cent the last few weeks and in many cases the officers find that the husband, unable to find work, has gone to some other city.

Petoskey—Daniel Tripp, 90, pioneer member of this city's police force and for many years a close companion of "Buffalo Bill" Cody, Civil war veteran and Indian fighter, died in Petoskey. Tripp was a member of the posse organized to hunt down the Jesse James gang. He is survived by a widow and five children.

Manistee—In the death of John Patterson on his farm near Norwalk Manistee county lost the last of her early pioneers who broke the trail into the forest. He was 94 years old and came to Manistee 72 years ago. With his bride he built a log cabin on the land which had ever since been their home.

Flint—Another young man who listened to the wiles of Dan Cupid is in jail. Wilson Alexander, alleged to have married a girl under 16 years of age, swearing she was 18 when he secured the license, was arrested in Argentine township, by sheriff's officers and arraigned on a perjury charge. His bail was fixed at \$300.

Charlotte—The Springsport council has decided to call a special election on three propositions on the lighting question. One is to build a line from Albion to Springsport; another is to place new equipment into the old electric light plant and run it continuously, and the other is the proposition from Riley Starks to buy and operate the present plant.

Bay City—Mrs. Catherine M. Smith, residing with her daughter, Mrs. John W. Combs, celebrated her nineteenth birthday anniversary by doing the family washing. She says she enjoys good health, due to proper development and care in girlhood and can do a day's hard work today with as little fatigue as she could half a century ago. She has lived here 65 years.

Kalamazoo—Harry Knowles, arrested on a charge of attempting to extort \$50,000 from Arthur Pratt, millionaire president of the King Paper company, through a blackmail letter, pleaded guilty when he was arraigned in circuit court and was sentenced by Judge George Weimer to from one to two years in Jackson state prison. The court moderated the sentence because of Knowles' youth. He only recently passed his nineteenth birthday.

Kalamazoo—Clarence L. Miller, since April 1 assistant manager of the city, has been made city manager, following the resignation of Harry Freeman, who had held the office for the last three years. Miller's election was only one in a number of important shifts in the personnel of the city's officials. Dr. W. E. Upjohn, president of the Upjohn Medical company and former mayor, tendered his resignation as a city commissioner, and Albert Ten Busschen, former commissioner, was chosen to replace him.

Battle Creek—Though there have been numerous reports of infection, particularly of the eyes and skin of bathers, the city health department has announced that there will be no quarantine, as has been rumored would be established at Lake Gogewic. Dr. A. A. Hoyt, health officer, considers the infection the natural result of too frequent fresh water bathing, rather than due to a condition of impure water. As high as 3,000 have been bathing within 24 hours at Willard park, the one bathing beach at Lake Gogewic owned by the city.

Algonac—The community council of Harpers Island has elected Mrs. Peter Lacroix, president.

Macou—The state game preserve here has received two fawns, captured at Sault Ste. Marie by Game Warden Allen Warren.

Lansing—The soap manufacturing plant at Michigan Reformatory at Ionia has been temporarily closed. It is probable that it will operate again within a few weeks.

Grand Rapids—Four street car tickets for 25 cents, 17 for \$1 and a 10-cent cash fare will probably be incorporated in the new franchise of the Grand Rapids Railway Co.

Saginaw—Saginaw's water plant election was called off by the city council because the legislature's inadvertent repeal of the Ramsey act made it impossible to go on with it.

Muskegon—More than 600 boys, most of them from Chicago high schools, are participating in Camp Roosevelt's first training period here, under direction of Captain Hutchins.

Osgood—Home sickness led to the arrest of Harry Smith, who as a six weeks ago from the Algonac County Jail. Officers arrested him when he returned to this village for a visit with his parents.

Flint—One of the foremost road conventions in the country will be held in Flint, when the Michigan Good Roads association meets here August 30, 31 and September 1, with 1,200 delegates in attendance.

Kalamazoo—Frank C. Anderson, arrested here following an attempt to cash a \$37,000 check was to be taken back to Toledo on a charge of having swindled a bank in that city. Detroit police waived their claim on him.

Adrian—Eveline Hawkins, 5 years old, daughter of William Hawkins of this city, died at a local hospital as the result of burns received when her clothing caught fire while she was playing with matches with some playmates.

Muskegon—Postal officials have recovered only \$2,900 of the \$10,000 stolen from a mail pouch at the Grand Haven Postoffice last April by Benjamin Borgman, the janitor. Officials believe Borgman hid most of the money.

Flint—An injunction restraining jitney buses from operating on streets traversed by street car lines, contrary to the provision of a new city ordinance, was granted by Judge F. W. Brennan in Circuit Court on application of the city.

Lansing—The State of Michigan has been enriched for \$1,265,233.68 as receipts from the motor vehicle tax for quarter ending June 30, 1921, according to a report submitted to O. B. Fuller, auditor general, by the automobile division.

Muskegon—Mrs. Sarah McVeigh, police matron, has appealed to Muskegon women to discontinue the wearing of bathing suits while shopping. Women recently have appeared on the streets and also in some of the downtown stores clad in bathing costumes.

Port Huron—Mayor John V. French has asked that 100 swimmers volunteer their services to instruct beginners on the various beaches. The educational campaign in swimming is the result of a recent drowning accident in which two young people lost their lives when but a few feet from safety.

Muskegon—An Oriental "punkah" has been installed by the Rev. Geo. R. Critchett, pastor of the Muskegon Heights Methodist Episcopal church, for keeping his congregation cool during the heat. It consists of a sheet of canvas suspended on a frame and moved up and down by means of a rope and pulley.

Kalamazoo—Alex. Porkowsky and his entire family were arrested on a street car after an officer accidentally brushed against their picnic basket and found that it contained liquor. During a search of their home 50 gallons of mash was found buried under a back porch, and a gallon of liquor was located in a pair of boots hidden in one of the closets.

Orion—The main street of Orion will become a runway of pleasure July 30, when a carnival will be staged here by the Eastern Star Masonic Lodge, according to John B. Downey, a member of the committee in charge. Plans are being made to accommodate 15,000 visitors. A number of national features have been booked as part of the program, Mr. Downey says.

Downsview—Citizens in the annual school district election here, voiced sentiment against a \$350,000 new high school building by turning down Leo A. Donahue and Mrs. George E. Green, board members who sought re-election. They were elected by large majorities Dr. C. M. Myers and W. E. Conkling, former superintendent of schools who favored the building of small schools until building material prices came down.

Mancelona—With the grand jury probe into forest fire conditions in this county marking time, Prosecutor J. L. Boyd, in charge of the John Doe inquiry before Justice James Greacen, has launched a crusade against moonshine liquor and two arrests already have been made. Upon the strength of the evidence adduced at the trial, the prosecutor has issued warrants for Gus Hinman, a graduate of Carleton school for Indians, and also Nesbit Nolan, who just recently arrived from Kalamazoo.

Flint—Patrolman Bishop, who went to a Saginaw street rooming house to investigate a report that two men had attacked a pretty girl, was himself attacked by the pair and badly beaten. Bishop attempted to interview the pair, when they assaulted him, taking away his club and beating him with it. In the scuffle, Bishop succeeded in handcuffing Henry Baker, while Frank Lawrence was later arrested by police detectives. They are held charged with resisting an officer, and Lawrence also faces a charge of assault and battery on the young lady.

FORD MAY BUY NITRATE PLANT

OFFERS TO PURCHASE MUSCLE SHOALS WORKS AND LEASE DAMS FOR 100 YEARS.

FORD ENGINEERS SURVEY PLANT

Leads to Proposal of \$5,000,000 Cash and \$1,500,000,000 Annual Rental for Site.

Washington—Secretary Weeks has announced that he would ask congress for authority to accept a proposal by Henry Ford for acquiring the government nitrate plant at Muscle Shoals, Ala., if the offer is found to be substantial after a study of its terms.

It is understood that the automobile manufacturer has offered \$5,000,000 for the nitrate plant and to lease the waterpower for 100 years at a price of \$1,500,000 a year. This property was created and developed by the government during the war at a cost of \$80,000,000. The plant now is idle.

This is believed by persons in the manufacturer's confidence to be part of the general program of development planned by Ford. In the last year Mr. Ford has acquired considerable timber standings in the upper peninsula and purchased the Detroit, Toledo & Ironton railway at a cost of several millions.

Mr. Ford proposes, it was said, to operate the government plant to manufacture commercial fertilizer and as an auxiliary plant for the manufacture of explosives in case of any emergency.

The proposal to the government was made following a complete survey of the Muscle Shoals property by Ford engineers. It generally is believed that if Ford procures the property an unprecedented supply of high-grade fertilizer will be made available to farmers throughout the United States. The gigantic Ford marketing plan would greatly facilitate the handling of the product.

CHANGES ACCOUNT OF DEATH

Higgins Testifies He Did Not See Poison in Lucy's Hand.

Corunna, Mich.—Forrest Higgins, on trial in circuit court here on the charge of murdering his sweetheart, Lucy Vitum, whose death by carbolic acid last March he has pictured as suicidal, admitted on the witness stand during a grilling cross-examination, that he did not see the bottle containing the deadly poison. He had testified at the inquest that he had knocked the bottle from her hands but that the girl had again picked it up and swallowed the contents before he could interfere.

Higgins reiterated that not until the night of her death had Lucy revealed to him the knowledge of her approaching motherhood.

The trial, which has been in progress for over two weeks, is one of the longest on record here.

FLINT MAN IS NEW ELK RULER

Los Angeles Convention Chose Wm. W. Mountain for Leader.

Los Angeles.—The fifty-seventh annual convention of the Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks selected Wm. W. Mountain, of Flint, Mich., as grand exalted ruler, succeeding W. M. Abbott, of San Francisco.

Other officers are: Fred C. Robinson, grand secretary; P. L. Brennan, Dennison, Tex., grand treasurer; James F. Duffy, Providence, R. I., grand esteemed leading knight; Fred A. Morris, Mexico, Mo., grand esteemed loyal knight.

3 APPOINTED FOR COMMISSION

Former Members of State Industrial Board Get New Jobs.

Lansing—William C. Brown, of Lansing; Ray Derham, of Detroit; and Samuel G. Beattie, of Detroit, all former deputies of the state industrial accident board, have been appointed commissioners of the newly created commission of labor and industry of the department of labor and industry. They will handle industrial compensation work. Their salaries were placed at \$3,500. F. S. Johnson, of Wyandotte, was named secretary of the commission and Perry G. Ward, former deputy labor commissioner, was made special deputy to the commission.

N. Y. C. Income Reported Slipping.

New York.—Gross income of the New York Central Railroad Company for 1920 amounted to \$65,109,739, a decrease of \$6,188,766, according to the annual report. Net corporate income of \$13,734,683 showed a decrease of \$6,182,563. A surplus of \$1,250,256 for the year disclosed a shrinkage of \$6,182,807. The company's balance sheet reported current assets approximating \$158,500,000, including cash and special deposits of more than \$43,000,000.

Asks Probe of Organization.

Washington.—Senator Kenyon, Republican, Iowa, leader of the senate agricultural bloc, introduced a resolution proposing investigation of a national organization, described as one recently formed at Cincinnati to combat agricultural legislation with the support of trade organizations such as the United States chamber of commerce, the wholesale food distributors association, cotton growers association, wholesale grocers association, millers, national association and others.

MRS. LEONARD G. WOODS



Mrs. Leonard G. Woods of Pittsburgh, who was elected second vice chairman of the Republican national committee at its session in Washington. This is the first time a woman has held such a position.

KEDZIE STAYS AS M. A. C. HEAD

Professor Friday Refuses Appointment as President of College.

Lansing.—Although he would prefer to be relieved of his duties as president of the Michigan Agricultural college, Frank S. Kedzie has informed the state board of agriculture that he will remain pending appointment of his successor. The place was tendered to Professor David Friday of the University of Michigan but he refused the appointment on the grounds that it is now too late to commence making the changes at the college that are conceded to be necessary.

That board has appointed a committee to seek a candidate for the post.

JAPAN DELAYS PEACE PARLEY

Fails to Accept President Harding's Invitation to Conference.

Washington.—Japan is ready to enter the disarmament conference proposed by President Harding, but withholds assent to an unrestricted discussion of far eastern problems as part of it. The viewpoint of the American government is that a solution of the eastern questions is a necessary accompaniment to any disarmament program.

Officials are optimistic, however, and believe that a way will be found for a satisfactory conference to which Japan will be a party.

BONUS BONDS FIND PURCHASERS

\$20,000,000 Now Available for Payments Until Next October.

Lansing.—A total of \$15,000,000 of bonus bonds and \$5,000,000 one-year bonus notes were sold last week to the First National company and other members of the syndicate formed to take up the bonds, so that there is \$20,000,000 available for paying bonuses before October 1. With this amount available, the payments can be made as rapidly as possible, since it is not probable that two-thirds of the veterans will have made their applications within the next ten weeks.

INVESTIGATES FARM CONDITIONS

Farm Bureau Sends Out Questionnaire to County Organizations.

Lansing.—The Michigan state farm bureau has sent out questionnaires to county agricultural organizations to get an expression of opinion as to the reasons for a reported dearth of prosperity among farmers of this and other states.

Clark L. Brady, secretary of the bureau, has requested that community meetings be held at which information may be exchanged and remedies suggested.

SAGINAW ROAD LEADER OUSTED

Supervisor Secures Injunction on Grounds of Ineligibility.

Saginaw.—An injunction restraining John Malcolm from further service as a member of the Saginaw county road commission has been granted by Circuit Judge Ernest A. Snow, on petition of George Smith, Jr., St. Charles township supervisor, on the ground that Malcolm is ineligible by reason of not being a citizen of the United States.

May Auction His Tombstone.

New York.—Money—the dread that shattered his boldest dreams and made his life one endless trouble—is haunting Oscar Hammerstein even to his last resting place will go under the hammer the first week of August unless the bill for it is settled by then. The claim of the makers against Hammerstein's widow for \$125,545 was affirmed in court. If the auction takes place it will be held in the cemetery.

Italians Get 2-Cent Cigar.

Rome.—Somewhat the Italian government has solved the problem of a cheap national cigar. Prices of tobacco have been soaring to such luxurious heights that the ordinary cigar smoker could not purchase. Accordingly, experts were assigned the task of getting up a new cigar. They have just announced their accomplishment of the task. The new cigar will soon be put on the market and will sell for two cents. It will resemble the Pittsburgh stogie in shape.

Items Of Interest in World's News

O'Callaghan Returns to Cork. London.—Daniel O'Callaghan, Lord Mayor of Cork, has arrived in Cork from the United States.

Cyblenz—Many members of the American Army of Occupation are suffering from scorched hands, the result of their efforts to aid Germans in extinguishing forest fires near this city.

Grooms Request For New Dress. Chicago.—"Please give me a pretty dress." For the first time in history a husband rejected at these words. This was the first thing Mrs. Ruth Holman said after being lost for a week, a victim of amnesia.

Army Resignations Coming Fast.

Washington.—The army is being reduced by resignations from the enlisted personnel at the rate of 175,000 a month in the move to reduce the army to 150,000. The \$30 bonus and travel pay is inducing many retirements.

Kidnapped Earl Is Returned.

Cork.—The earl of Bandon, who was kidnapped by Sinn Feiners early on the morning of June 21, was brought back to Bantry by his captors. The aged earl, for whose safety there had been some concern at various times, was uninjured.

Motor Bandits Get \$19,000.

New York.—Five robbers held up the cashier and assistant cashier of the Horton Ice Cream Co. outside the company's offices on East Twenty-fourth street and escaped in an automobile with \$19,000. The employees were starting for a bank with the money in a satchel.

Will Take Up Tax Revision.

Washington.—A general tax revision bill will be reported from the house ways and means committee within two weeks after passage of the tariff bill. Representative Longworth, Republican, Ohio, a member of the committee, told the house during debate on the tariff bill.

Church Gets \$10,000 Estate.

Pontiac.—Her entire estate of \$10,000 was left by Miss Grace Maslen to church and benevolent work, divided into three trust funds for support of All Saints church here, aid of needy communicants of the church and aid of communicants in Detroit diocese suffering from tuberculosis.

Explosion Fatal to Officer.

London.—E. J. Dickerson, chief officer of the American steamer Storm King, was brought ashore at Falmouth in a serious condition, and died shortly afterward. He sustained injuries from an explosion in the store room of the vessel while he was investigating the cause of a fire.

Shipbuilders Reduce Wages.

Philadelphia.—Wage reductions effective August 1 or soon thereafter are planned in virtually every shipbuilding district along the Atlantic seaboard and the Gulf of Mexico, the administrative council of the Atlantic Coast Shipbuilders' association was informed at its monthly meeting here.

Warm Weather Kills Fish.

Bay City.—The shores of Saginaw Bay have been strewn with dead fish for several days. Commercial fishermen attribute it to the extreme warm water. A similar condition is reported at Houghton Lake, Roscommon County, where trout and whitefish, as well as the less valuable varieties are dying by the hundreds.

Balloon Escapes With Keys.

Lansing.—While preparing to make observations of upper air currents at the East Lansing weather bureau, a pilot balloon escaped from its leash and as the tie-rope swept past D. A. Seeley, meteorologist, it became entangled in some manner about his keyring. When last seen the pilot balloon and the bunch of keys were many hundreds of feet in the air, sailing southwest.

Won't Disturb Liquor Stocks.

Washington.—Customs officers have been instructed not to interfere with liquor stores on foreign vessels in the territorial waters of the United States, pending a decision by the attorney general as to the legality of these stores. George Ashworth, supervisor of the customs service, announced. The attorney general has been asked to decide whether liquor stores are to be classed as illegal together with liquor cargoes in transit.

Germ-Proof Wedding Performed.

Moose Jaw, Sask.—A germ-proof, sick-bed wedding ceremony, probably the first on record, was performed here when Miss Mary O'Brien of Philadelphia, scarlet fever patient at a local hospital, was married to Charles Barker of Vancouver, B. C. Outside the germ-proof window stood the groom and clergyman, while the bride made response from the inside. The young woman will have to wait six weeks before she can go on her honeymoon.

Prefers Citizenship to Title.

Chicago.—A job as baron is likely to go begging because Dr. F. M. Trebar-Drosten of Aurora, Ill., would rather be an American citizen than have a title. He explained that his father, Baron Trebar-Drosten, owner of a trans-Pacific fleet and a resident of Switzerland, died, leaving him the title and 3,000,000 francs. "They can keep the title," the physician said. "I am an American citizen and I like it." He has sent an attorney to collect the money.

HARDING WANTS BONUS DELAYED

Asks Congress Not to Grant Compensation to Soldiers at This Time.

NATION CAN'T BEAR BURDEN

Executive in Address to Senate Declares If Congress Passes Contemplated Legislation It Would Hinder Every Effort of Restoration and Imperil the Financial Stability of the Country.

Washington, July 13.—President Harding conveyed a solemn warning to congress that the condition of the nation will not permit the passage at this time of legislation granting adjustment of compensation to soldiers who served in the World war.

For congress to pass contemplated legislation now, the President warned, "would hinder every effort of restoration and greatly imperil the financial stability of our country."

The President took his appeal personally to the senate and delivered a brief message in which he painted in anything but glowing colors the economic and financial condition of the country today. He pointed out that the nation now is engaged in a mighty struggle toward restoration, and he emphasized that this restoration can only be brought about by careful financing and reduced expenditures. The President's message deals chiefly with the bonus question and the nation's finances, but the President took occasion to warn congress that there "is much confessed disappointment that so little progress has been made in the readjustment and reduction of wartime taxes," and urged early accomplishment of this.

President's Address.

The text of President Harding's message to the senate in part was as follows:

"Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Senate: "There has come to my attention the pending unfinished business before the senate and it is an imperative duty to convey to you the probable effect of the passage at this time of the proposed act, providing for adjusted compensation to our service men in the World war. If this measure could be made effective at the present time without disaster to the nation's finances and without hindrance to imperative readjustments of our taxes, it would present an entirely different question than that which is before you. In a personal, as well as a public manner, I have commended the policy of generous treatment of the nation's defenders, not as a part of any contract, nor as the payment of a debt which is owing, but as a mark of the nation's gratitude. Every obligation is to the disabled and dependent. In such reference as has been made to general compensation there has been reservation as to the earliest consistent time for such action if it is taken. Even without such reservation, however, a modified view would be wholly justifiable at the present moment because the enactment of the compensation bill in the midst of the struggle for readjustment and restoration would hinder every effort and greatly imperil the financial stability of our country.

"More, this menacing effort to expend billions in gratuities will imperil our capacity to discharge our obligations to those we must not fail to aid. "I am addressing the senate directly, because the problem is immediately yours as your unfinished business, but the executive branch of the government owes it to both houses of congress and to the country frankly to state the difficulties we daily are called upon to meet and the added peril this measure would bring. "Our land has its share of the financial chaos and the industrial depression of the world. We little heeded the growth of indebtedness or the limits of expenditure during the war, because we could not stop to count the cost. Our one thought then was the winning of the war and the survival of the nation. We borrowed and loaned—individually to the nation and the government to other governments, and to those who served the nation—with little thought of settlement. "It was relatively easy then, because national life was at stake. In the sober aftermath we face the order of reason rather than the passions of war, and our own land and the world are facing problems never solved before. There can be no solution unless we face the grim truths and seek to solve them in resolute devotion to duty. "Three Problems Cited. "After a survey of more than

four months, contemplating conditions which would stagger all of us, were it not for our abiding faith in America. I am fully persuaded that three things are essential to the very beginning of the restored order of things: "These are the revision, including reduction of our internal taxation, the refunding of our war debt and the adjustment of our foreign loans. "It is vitally necessary to settle these problems before adding to our treasury any such burden as is contemplated in the pending bill. "It is unthinkable to expect a business revival and the resumption of the normal ways of peace while maintaining the excessive taxes of war. It is quite as unthinkable to reduce our treasury to an additional obligation which ranges from \$5,000,000,000 to \$5,000,000,000. The precise figures no one can give. "If it is conceivably true that only \$200,000,000 a year will be drawn annually from the treasury in the few years immediately before us, the bestowment is too inconsequential to be of real value to the nation's defenders; and, if the exercise of the options should call for cash running into billions, the depression in finance and industry would be so marked that vastly more harm than good would attend.

Must Meet Obligations.

"Our government must undertake no obligation which it does not intend to meet. No government flat will pay its bills. The exchanges of the world testify today to that erroneous theory. We may rely on the sacrifices of patriotism in war, today we face markets and the effects of supply and demand and the inexorable laws of credits in time of peace. "Definite obligations amounting to seven and a half billions in War Savings certificates, Victory loans and certificates covering floating indebtedness are to mature in the two years immediately following, and the overburdening of the treasury now means positive disaster in the years immediately before us. Merest prudence calls out in warning. "Our greatest necessity is a return to the normal ways of peace activities. A modest offering to the millions of service men is a poor palliative to more millions who may be out of employment. Stabilized finance and well-established confidence are to be essential to restored industry and commerce.

Slump War's Aftermath.

"The slump which is now upon us is an inevitable part of war's aftermath. It has followed in the wake of war since the world began. There was the unavoidable readjustment, the inevitable charge-off, the unfeeling attendance of losses, the unfeeling high prices, the inexorable deflation which inflation had preceded. "It has been wholly proper to seek to apply government relief to minimize the hardships, and the government has aided wherever possible, and is aiding now, but all the special acts ever dreamed of, all the particular favors ever conceived will not avoid all the distress nor ward off all the losses. "The proper mental state of our people will commit us resolutely and confidently to our tasks, and definite assurances as to taxation and expenditure will contribute to that helpful mental order. The only sure way to normalcy is over the paths nature has marked throughout all human experience. "With the approval of congress the executive branch of government has been driving toward that decreased expenditure which is the most practical assurance of diminished taxation. "War is not wholly responsible for staggering costs; it has merely accentuated the unbalance which lies in mounting cost of government and excessive expenditure which a successful private business would not tolerate.

Work of War Risk Bureau.

"In view of some of the things which have been said, and very carelessly said, perhaps I ought to report officially some of the things which have been done. In the department of war risk insurance, there have been filed up to July 7, 1921, compensation and insurance claims numbering 813,442. Of these, 747,736 have been adjudicated, at an expenditure of \$471,946,702. There were 200,000 claims pending when the war risk department was reorganized, late in April this year, and the number of pending claims has been reduced by 134,344. "There have been requested 887,614 medical examinations and more than 14,000 await medical action. "There has been paid out in allotment and allowances the sum of \$578,465,853, and nearly \$1,000,000,000 of government insurance is in force."

LOST BATTALION HERO DIES

Private J. Munson, Who Carried Message From Maj. Whittlesley to Headquarters, Succumbs in New York.

New York, July 13.—Private John J. Munson of this city, decorated during the war by both the French and American governments for carrying a message from the "Lost Battalion," commanded by Maj. Charles W. Whittlesley to regimental headquarters in September, 1918, died here.

Superstition Concerning Caul.

The caul is a thin membrane found encompassing the head of some children when born, and it is considered a good omen for the children themselves. This superstition probably has its origin about the time of the Emperor Antoninus Pius. When he was born he had a bar of membrane around his forehead in the shape of a diadem, and he attributed all his good fortune to this caul, and this started the rule of them. A few sailors carrying them who then happened to be

saved from shipwreck diverted the superstition toward mariners. "A Jarrow Range. The motion picture people are at their wit's ends for scenarios with new plots. Don't they know that there are but 87 plots which comprehend every possible human experience and set the limits for dramatist and story and novel writers? Judging by what we have seen on the screen, but a dozen have been used.—Los Angeles Times.

Washington, July 13.—The 1920 population of Wisconsin consists of 1,356,738 males and 1,275,349 females. The census bureau announced. During the decade the total population increased 12.8 per cent, the male population by 12.3 per cent and the female population by 13.3 per cent

The American Legion

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LEGION OFFICER KNOWS NAVY

Edward Spafford, Chairman of Committee on Naval Affairs, Has Climbed the Ladder.

Edward Elwell Spafford, newly appointed chairman of the American Legion's committee on naval affairs, knows the United States navy on land and on sea as few other men do.

Born in Springfield, Vt., Mr. Spafford was educated in the public schools. He received an appointment to the United States Naval academy in 1901. Assigned to the ship Washington, he became gunnery officer; at that time he was the youngest officer in the navy to hold this position.

While the Washington was lying off Cape Hatteras a sailor was washed overboard in a heavy sea. Risking his life in the waves, Mr. Spafford plunged overboard and succeeded in rescuing the seaman. His bravery was recognized in a letter of commendation from the secretary of the navy. He rose to the rank of lieutenant commander.

In 1914 Mr. Spafford resigned from the navy to study law at Columbia university.

With the start of the war Mr. Spafford offered his services to his country and he was made a lieutenant commander in the navy reserve corps. He served for a time as a member of the board of inspection and survey, which was in charge of the selection of ships to be purchased by the government. He directed the fitting out of the first 25 110-foot submarine chasers built for distance service and established a submarine chaser base at New London, Conn.

When the American navy became active in the Straits of Otranto, Mr. Spafford was sent to establish a submarine chaser base at Corfu, Greece, and later became chief of staff of that station. He was in charge of all operations and was on the first American submarine chaser which destroyed an enemy ship after locating it by the process of sound contact.

When the Austrians surrendered two battleships and two destroyers to the United States, Lieutenant Commander Spafford took them over. Later, he investigated the situation along the Italian coast and made a special report on Rome to the American peace delegation at Paris. He received the Distinguished Service Medal. Mr. Spafford is a member of Manhattan naval post of the American Legion in New York city.

SAYS NO MAN HER SUPERIOR

Bright-Eyed Sergeant and Vice Commander of Post Bluffed Sir Silver-Eagles.

Who else but a bright-eyed, smiling American girl could have gotten away with it?

Sergeant Minnie Arthur of the United States marine corps was on duty in a recruiting office in Indianapolis, Ind., during the war. The major in charge was nervous; a colonel from Washington was coming to inspect; everyone brushed up on rules of military conduct. "The minute colonel, Sergeant Arthur remained working at her desk. Silver-Eagles walked over to her desk and frowned.

"You never get up when an officer comes in the room, sergeant?" he growled.

"Yes, sir, sometimes," Miss Three-Stripes replied.

"You—and I suppose you salute your superiors, too, eh?"

Sergeant Arthur smiled sweetly—and then her eyes snapped.

"Sir, I've never seen a man yet who was my superior."

And the colonel passed it off with out a remark.

Miss Arthur, now vice-commander of Robert E. Kennedon post of the American Legion in Indianapolis, enlisted for four years and served 18 months. She is still in the reserve, drawing \$1 a month with which she buys late news. She is authority on the Liberator and plays a good hand at "blackjack."

On the Square.

"We had quite a game up to the boarding house last night."

"Poker?"

"No. The landlady was going to lick one of the boys for not paying his board. I tried to check her, she jumped me, crowned him and told us both to move."

"Did you do it?"

"Chess."—American Legion Weekly.

Burial Plots for Members.

Fifty plots in Irving Park cemetery, Chicago, have been purchased by Irving Park post of the American Legion for the burial of ex-service men who die in Chicago without relatives or friends to bury them properly.

To Erect Post Building.

The Rotary club of Olympia, Wash., has begun a campaign to raise \$25,000 to erect a building for the American Legion posts of that city. On the first day of the movement \$4,000 was contributed.

IS BUSY LEGION ORGANIZER

Vice Commander of Body in New York Perfects One of the Most Powerful Units.

Believing that the county organization is a vital part of the American Legion, William F. Deegan, first vice commander of the Legion in New York, has perfected in Bronx county one of the most powerful Legion units in the country.

Among the accomplishments of the Bronx county organization is the placing of bronze plaques on 850 trees as a memorial to the World war dead; employment provided for hundreds of ex-service men by the employment committee, and relief to sick and wounded veterans in New York city hospitals from the Legion's welfare committee.

Mr. Deegan, when asked to give some of his working principles, said: "I insist upon every post being represented at a county meeting held once a month. I visit every post at least once or twice a month and for the benefit of Legionnaires have arranged for a legal committee to take up the principal troubles of the boys, without cost. I find that Legion men have absolute confidence in their officers, provided they know that they do not seek political office at their expense. To that end I make every effort to keep the organization free from men holding appointive offices.

"Personal contact with your post is absolutely necessary—telling them what is going on, listening to complaints and abolishing wherever possible parliamentary procedure, because delegates oftentimes will come to meetings and fear to speak on a subject which is vital to the interests of the organization, because they do not know whether they are in order."

During the war Mr. Deegan was attached to the staff of Gen. George W. Goodall and was assigned to inspect the army bases along the Atlantic coast and inland army depots. He was discharged a major in 1919.

LEGION MAN ON LONG HIKE

Sergeant Sylvester of Indiana is Scheduled to Walk 737 Miles to Boost Training Camps.

Former doughboys will reflect long upon the feat of Sergt. Harley C. Sylvester, who takes the walking branch of the service so well that he voluntarily agreed to hike an average of 18½ miles a day for 40 days to tell the peaceful citizenry why they should learn to fight.

When officials of Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., looked about for the representative type of American soldier to advertise the citizens' military training camps to be held during the summer, they found Sergeant Sylvester, overseas veteran and member of the American Legion at the military post, still in the service.

Sergeant Sylvester is scheduled to cover 737 miles during the 40 days. He is visiting towns and cities in Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky. He carries light marching equipment and is the guest of his buddies in the Legion camps along the dusty route.

The American Legion will assist in obtaining recruits for the citizens' military training camps, according to a resolution adopted by the military policy committee of the ex-service men's organization.

TRANSFERS PAY TO LEGION

Permanently Disabled Yank, Propped Up in Bed, Signs Over Bonus Check to Post.

A striking example of the gratitude of the nation's disabled veterans for those who have aided them in their hours of suffering has come to the attention of Lee C. Prentice, post of the American Legion in Fairmount, Minn.

Charles Lappin, a young soldier severely wounded in the battlefields of France and

now in hospital, died totally and permanently disabled, received a check in payment for the state bonus while being treated in a sanatorium at Fairmount.

Asking to be propped up in bed, Lappin endorsed the slip good for several hundred dollars, to the Prentice post of the Legion. "When I needed help," said the boy who had given the best of his life to his country, "the Legion boys stood by me. Now I'm going to do my little bit to help them get those clubrooms they are after."

Where Ignorance is Bliss.

"If you read more you would know more."

"Yes, and miss all the sensational cases by getting rejected for jury duty."—American Legion Weekly.

Outings on Ferry Boats.

Staten Island ferry boats will be used to provide outings for New York sick and disabled veterans of the World war this summer. Weekly excursion trips will be conducted under the auspices of the American Legion and its Women's Auxiliary.

Post Buys Church Building.

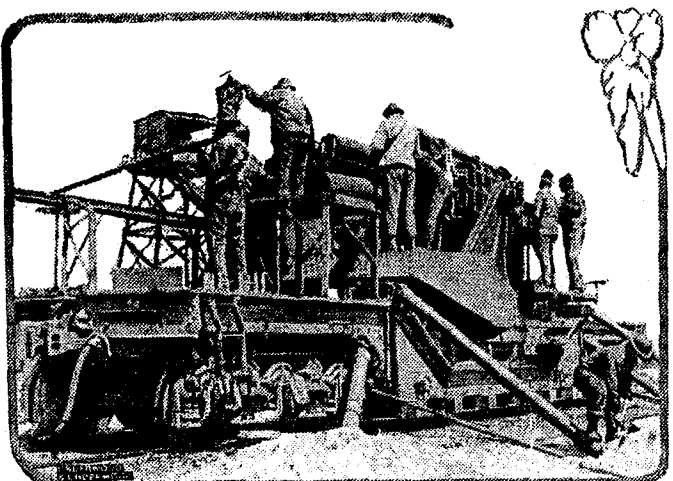
West Seattle (Wash.) post of the American Legion solved the housing problem by purchasing a church to be used as clubrooms.

"Victory Village" for French War Veterans



A view of one of the streets of "Victory Village," in the St. Cloud district on the outskirts of Paris, built for war heroes and their families exclusively. The village was built by public subscription and funds are being raised for similar villages throughout France.

Trying the New Railway Mortars



The second and ninth companies at Fort Tilden, Rockaway, L. I., have engaged in target practice, using the new 12-inch railway mortars. This photograph shows one of the mortars being loaded.

Wrestling With a Lively Kangaroo



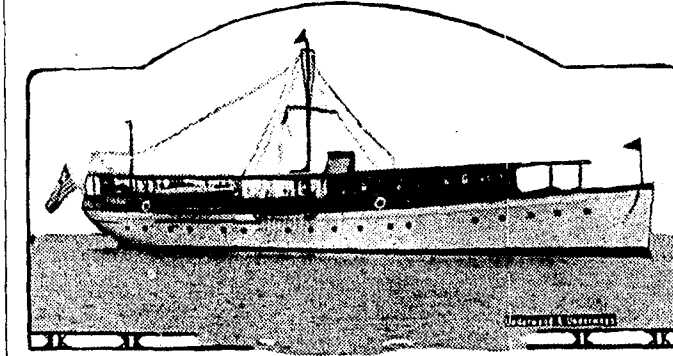
"Snowy" Baker, well-known Australian sportsman, is now in America showing some of Australia's favorite pastimes. One of these gentle sports is wrestling with a lively kangaroo. Baker is here shown with a strange hold on the kangaroo's tail.

Counting the Inhabitants of Japan



Japan is taking her periodical census, and the photograph shows a lot of the clerks in the Tokyo office counting up the mikado's subjects.

Speejacks Off for Tour of World



Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Gowen of Chicago have left that city on a water trip around the world. They are going in their gas engine boat "Speejacks," 98 feet long by 17 feet wide. They intend to cruise around various waters for a year and a half or two years. Mr. Gowen estimates that he will travel 47,000 miles before his return.

INTERESTING ITEMS

Alligators of Jamaica are often seen around at sea.

The first electric pump was made by Volta in 1800.

A stove which burns sawdust only heats a waiting room at London bridge station.

Miss Adelaide Richardson of Denison is the first woman to be appointed a member of the Texas state board of pharmacy.

Mrs. Ben Martin of Allamakee county is Iowa's only woman sheriff.

There are 550,000 more men than women in Canada.

Seville, Spain, is said to have been the first European city to have a policeman.

The islands of the world have a total length of more than seventeen times the circumference of the earth at the equator.

PHOTOGRAPH PROVES IT



Mrs. H. L. Willoughby of Philadelphia, who was formerly Miss Fuller of Milwaukee, is a real fisherlady. Down in Florida recently she caught a tarpon weighing 100 pounds, and which measured 5 feet and 8 inches.

WINS PRIX DE ROME



The six-year-old artist of Greenwich village, New York city, reads more like a novel or play than a real true account. For Schwartz, who was penniless and about to be dispossessed from his \$12-a-month "studio," is today the most talked of person in the world of art. He has won the most coveted of art awards, the Prix de Rome, which is a three-year fellowship in the American Academy of Art in Rome, carrying with it transportation expenses and an annuity of \$1,000 during the three-year course. Schwartz won the award with his painting "A Tribute to Herosim." He is a native of Chicago and studied art there, working in cheap restaurants in order to earn his meals and a dollar or two for lodgings. He is a war veteran, having served in France as a member of the camouflage section.

Use of Tea Frequent in Japan.

In Japan, tea is partaken of not only at meal time, but also at intervals throughout the day. The cups are very small, and neither milk nor sugar is used. The Japanese tea, unlike Ceylon or other teas, must not be made with boiling water or it will become very bitter, and the finer the quality of the tea the more attention must be paid to the temperature of the water used. In serving good tea the Japanese put a tablespoonful of tea in a small tea pot and pour hot (not boiling) water over it. It is then served in small cups. When the water in the pot is exhausted, more hot water is poured in, and in this way the tea can be used several times.

Garrulous Person Unpopular.

Talkative people who wish to be loved are hated; when they desire to please, they bore; when they think they are admired, they are laughed at; they injure their friends, benefit their enemies, and ruin themselves.—Plutarch.

Dreaming of Bandits.

If they attack you, rely upon your own strength and vigor; if you attack them, beware that some misfortune does not overtake you; to seek them, prosperity and riches.

When in Tribulation.

When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, even in the latter days, if thou turn to the Lord thy God, and shalt be obedient unto His voice (for the Lord thy God is a merciful God), he will not forsake thee.—Deuteronomy, 4:30, 31

A Sabbath Thought.

O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. For He is our God; and we are the people of His pasture; Psalm 95:6, 7.

SHIPPING BOARD OFFICIAL



T. V. O'Connor, former president of the International Longshoremen's union, who recently was elected vice-president of the new shipping board. Mr. O'Connor is a resident of Buffalo, N. Y. He will have charge of the labor affairs of the board.

Danish Trade Unions.

The total number of workers organized in unions in Denmark was 800,016 at the end of 1919. Of these, 277,392 were affiliated with the association, as compared with 255,150 at the end of 1918. Of the affiliated organizations the growth of membership has been largest in the Danish General Workers' union, with an increase of 5,454; in the Textile Workers' union with 2,754; in the Agricultural Workers' union with 2,000; in the Municipal Workers' union with 1,028; the Smiths' and Machinists' union with 1,231; and the Railwaymen's union with 1,202. Among the non-affiliated organizations the telephone workers record an increase from 3,209 to 5,500 members; the mercantile clerks from 18,900 to 20,770. The Bricklayers' union shows a decrease in membership from 8,024 to 6,124.

Victory for Telegraphers.

The Order of Railroad Telegraphers won a victory before the United States Railroad Labor board when the board handed down a decision holding that its previous decision to terminate its control over the national agreements July 1 did not terminate the agreement of the Order of Telegraphers with the carriers.

The labor board held it could not include in its decision any matter which was not property before it as a dispute.

"Changes in such rules or agreements, however, may be made after the required notice either by a member of the parties or a member of this board after conferences between parties," the decision read.

Strikers Agree to Arbitrate.

Striking employees of the Spanish Pulp and Paper company's mills at Sturgeon Falls and Espanola, Canada, notified their International union that they had decided to accept an arbitration proposal for settlement of the wage dispute that caused the plants to shut down May 11.

The company proposed selection of a board of seven, three to represent employees, three the employers and a seventh to be chosen as chairman by both sides. The board's findings will be retroactive.

Steel Strengthened by Oil.

Cincinnati is one of six plants in the world where steel is strengthened by being bolted in oil. At a plant in Carthage a steel shaft weighing 30,000 pounds, the largest piece ever subjected to the new method, has gone through the process of being strengthened. The great shaft was suspended in an upright furnace until heated to just below the melting point. A crane then picked it up and dropped it into the huge well of oil, where it boiled and sputtered, throwing out clouds of oily mist.

Puddlers' Wages Reduced.

Bi-monthly settlement between the Western Bar Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Plate Workers resulted in another reduction in the rate of pay for puddlers and other bar iron workers. Pay is based on the price of iron during May and June.

During the next two months the workers will receive \$12.62 a ton.

During the last two months the rate was \$13.70 and last January the wage was \$10.70 a ton.

Saving by New Power System.

A saving of 310,000,000 tons of coal annually, representing \$150,000,000 in value and the labor of more than 30,000 miners, and the release of vast railroad-carrying capacity for other freight, are among the possibilities to result from the projected eastern industrial region super-power electric system.

New Rail Wage Scale in Forces.

As 1,500,000 railway employees throughout the country reported for work July 1 at a reduced wage more than 1,000 of their union leaders were attending conferences at Chicago, relied upon to keep transportation wheels turning.

MARKET REPORT

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Grain
Bullish crop and weather news and increased outside buying resulted in better undertone and higher prices for the week. Black and red wheat from American and Canadian Northwest, but extent of damage not yet determined. Drought in Argentina and parts of England relieved by rains. Country corn offerings light; cash demand slow.
In Chicago cash market No. 2 red winter closed at \$1.31; No. 2 hard \$1.32; No. 3 yellow corn 62 cents; No. 3 mixed corn 62 cents; No. 3 white oats 37 cents. For the week Chicago July wheat up 1 3/4¢; closing at \$1.32 3/4; July corn 3¢ at 64¢; Minneapolis July wheat up 15¢ at \$1.29; Chicago Sept. wheat up 1 1/2¢ at \$1.32; September corn 1¢ at 62¢; Minneapolis Sept. wheat up 12 3/4¢ at \$1.37 3/4; Kansas City September up 3 3/4¢ at \$1.21 3/4.

Fruits and Vegetables
Virginia eastern shore Irish Cobbler potatoes lost the \$1.50 advance of the previous week. New York, closing \$1.50 per barrel. Kansas sacked early Ohio \$1.50 to \$1.65 per 100 pounds in Kansas City. Texas sacked and weak in Chicago at 50 to 75¢ per 4-bushel carrier. Elberta peaches firm at Georgia shipping points, closing \$1.75 per 4-bushel basket carrier f. o. b. cash track. Consuming markets were weaker. Prices closed at a slightly wider range in eastern markets at \$2.25. Sales as low as \$1.75 were reported in Philadelphia. The Chicago market closed at \$2.50.

Hay
Light stocks and continued light receipts caused advance in price of old timothy hay in eastern markets and at Chicago and Cincinnati. Light demand and increased receipts caused lower prices at Kansas City. Receipts but not market dull at Memphis and Omaha.
Quoted July 12: No. 1 Timothy New York \$1.50; Philadelphia \$2.00; Chicago new \$2.00; old \$2.00; Cincinnati new \$1.00; old \$1.00; Minneapolis \$1.00; Kansas City new \$1.50; old \$1.50; Omaha \$1.50; No. 1 Prairie \$1.50; Philadelphia \$1.50; Kansas City \$1.50; Omaha \$1.50.

Feed
Demand restricted and light generally. Wheat feeds firm with principal offerings coming from southwest and small northwestern mills. Hominy feed barely steady; offerings good for immediate and prompt shipment. Gluten feed situation and prices unchanged. Alfalfa meal demand slow; new crop meal offered at below price of old crop meal. Stocks, receipts and movement good.
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If you are planning any kind of painting, be sure and see our supply first. You will save money.

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Hardware Department.

Farm Bureau Notes

R. D. BAILEY
County Agricultural Agent

LET'S GET BETTER ACQUAINTED.

Let's get better acquainted. Work together for better farming and increased income.

The County Agent's office is over the postoffice in Grayling. He is always there Saturdays, so farmers can find him. The rest of the time he is out in the country visiting farms. There are many farm problems on which the county agent might do you some good. Give him a chance to talk them over with you, make his office your headquarters on Saturday. Write him letters. Every week the Farm Bureau Notes that he writes for "The Avalanche," the only paper published in Crawford County. If you do not take the paper how can the county agent tell you every week the things he is trying to pass around? Some of these weeks you will miss in one of the county agent's articles, something that will be worth several years subscription. If every farmer in the county would take the Avalanche all the farmers and the county agent could talk together every week. Try it.

Yours very truly,
R. D. Bailey,
County Agent.

Mr. Bailey was called home first of the week by the illness of his mother. The latter passed away Tuesday. He accompanied the remains to Vermont for burial, and will return in a few days.

During Mr. Bailey's absence if there are any farmers desiring arsenic for grasshopper poisoning they may get it by applying to M. A. Bates, Grayling.

A SPLENDID MEDICINE FOR THE STOMACH AND LIVER.

"Chamberlain's Tablets for the stomach and liver are splendid. I never tire of telling my friends and neighbors of their qualities," writes Mrs. William Vollmer, Eastwood, N. Y. When bilious, constipated or troubled with indigestion, give them a trial. They will do you good.—Advertisement.

CRAWFORD COUNTY GRANGE NOTES.

Crawford County Grange No. 934 held their second regular meeting of July last Saturday with a good attendance. Three new members were initiated in the first and second degrees and more names of applicants were accepted by ballot. A Dairy specialist from M. A. C. was with us and gave a fine talk on dairying and also told something of the plans of the dairy train that is to be in Grayling on the afternoon of August 8th and the forenoon of the 9th.

Let every farmer in Crawford County be out on these days. We must turn our attention to more dairy farming if we expect to succeed in this county. We must get out of the old rut and raise more corn, soy beans, alfalfa and sweet clover to build up our lands. I have 12 acres of soy beans that are looking fine.

The Grange is assured of some more speakers from M. A. C., but more farmers and others interested in agriculture should attend. Open meetings are held when we have a speaker with us and anyone is welcome to come.

Elmer E. Ostrander,
Master.

BILIOUSNESS AND CONSTIPATION.

"For years I was troubled with biliousness and constipation, which made life miserable for me. My appetite failed me. I lost my usual force and vitality. Pepsin preparations and cathartics only made matters worse. I do not know where I should have been today had I not tried Chamberlain's Tablets. The tablets relieve the ill feeling at once, strengthen the digestive functions, helping the system to do its work naturally, writes Mrs. Rosa Potts, Birmingham, Ala.—Advertisement.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY.

Every family should keep this pre-summer months. It is almost sure to be needed, and when that time comes, it is worth many times its cost. Buy it now.—Adv.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

A special Meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Grayling was held in the Court House Monday evening July 18th.

Meeting called to order by President George N. Olson. Trustees present: J. C. Burton, A. C. McIntyre, H. E. Simpson, C. A. Canfield and Frank Sales. Trustees absent A. L. Roberts.

Resolved that whereas this body has entered on the minutes of the proceedings of its sessions an entry of the regular meeting of July 11, 1921. Wherein it appears from said record that said meeting was held elsewhere than within the corporate limits. And whereas said meeting may be declared void for the above reasons stated, therefore be it resolved that the said session and business transacted therein be and the same is hereby null and void and of no effect and that the said record be and is declared as such. Moved by Simpson and supported by Canfield that the resolution be and the same is hereby declared accepted and adopted. Yes and nay vote called: Yeas: J. C. Burton, H. E. Simpson, C. A. Canfield and Frank Sales. Nays: A. C. McIntyre. Resolution declared adopted.

Petitions and applications for the office of Fire Chief and Warden were read by President George N. Olson. A ballot ordered. Number of votes cast five, of which Jerry Sherman received three votes and Frank Sprague received two. Jerry Sherman was declared elected Fire Chief and Warden.

Moved and supported, that the minutes of last regular meeting be spread at this special meeting and so published and entered as minutes of this special meeting.

To the President and members of the Common Council of the Village of Grayling: Your committee on Finance, Claims and Accounts respectfully recommends that the accompanying bills be allowed:

1. Todd Wilkes, labor on band stand	\$ 33.15
2. A. M. Lewis, supplies	27.22
3. Sorenson Bros., supplies	4.30
4. L. J. Kraus, supplies	15.42
5. M. C. R. R., Freight on twelve drums of calcium chloride	17.16
6. Bridges and Ditz, work on silent police	50.00
7. Grayling Electric Co., service for May and June and labor on silent police	291.40
8. Dow Chemical Co., two tons of calcium chloride	68.00
9. F. R. Deckrow, supplies for fire truck	15.30
10. Louis LaMotte, burying five cats	5.00
11. Harvey Wheeler, hauling lumber for fire truck	1.50
12. Floyd Jennings, labor fire truck	20.70
13. William Duclos, labor on fire truck and hose house	92.00
14. William Duclos, fire reports	51.00
15. O. P. Schumann, fire insurance on hose house and paraphernalia	20.40
16. Salling Hanson Co., lumber	54.81
17. Julius Nelson, pay roll, ending June second	108.50
18. Julius Nelson, pay roll, ending June eleventh	48.63
19. Julius Nelson, pay roll, ending June eighteenth	45.50
20. Julius Nelson, pay roll, ending June twenty-fifth	27.00
21. Julius Nelson, pay roll, ending July ninth	37.00
22. George N. Olson	26.63

C. A. Canfield, Committee.

Moved and supported that the accompanying bills be allowed and an order be drawn on the treasurer for the same. Motion carried.

Moved and supported that lots No. 5 and No. 6 of block 7 Roffee's addition to the Village of Grayling be sold to the Township of Grayling at fifty dollars per lot. Yeas: Roberts,

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Dated July 12, 1921.

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7-14-2.

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GRAYLING, MICH.

I hereby enclose \$.....in payment of.....
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Yours truly,

Name.....

Postoffice.....

R. F. D. No.....

NOTICE TO CUT ALL NOXIOUS WEEDS IN VILLAGE OF GRAYLING.

To all owners, possessors or occupiers of lands or to any person or persons, firm or corporation having charge of any lands in this State:

Notice is hereby given that all noxious weeds growing in any lands anywhere within the village of Grayling county of Crawford, state of Michigan, or within the limits of any highway passing by or thru such lands, must be cut down and destroyed before the first day of July, A. D. 1921. And also again on or before the first day of September, A. D. 1921.

Failure to comply with this notice on or before the date mentioned or within ten days thereafter, shall make the parties so failing liable for the costs of cutting same and an additional levy of ten per centum of such cost, to be levied and collected against the property in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected.

Also all brush growing upon the right of way of all highways running through or along side of said lands, but not including any shrubs reserved for shade or other purposes, must be cut down and destroyed.

Dated this 27th day of June, A. D. 1921.

Julius Nelson, Street Commissioner of the Village of Grayling of the county of Crawford of the State of Michigan.

*NOTE—All noxious weeds must be cut at least twice yearly, once before the first day of July and once before the first day of September, and as much oftener as may be necessary to keep them from going to seed.

NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Marquette, Michigan.

June 15, 1921.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given, that the State of Michigan has selected the following described lands with a view to acquiring title thereto in exchange for other lands which have been conveyed by the State to the United States, as authorized by the Act of July 31, 1912. (37 Stat., 241.)

Crawford County.

Description: N 1/4 of NW 1/4, Section 14, Town 27N, Range 1W. No. of acres 80.00.

Protests, or contests against the selection of any of said lands for any reason will be received and noted for report to the General Land Office at Washington, D. C.

Should no protest, contest or objection be filed in this office within ninety days from date hereof, that fact will be considered as indicating that no grounds exist for the assertion of any adverse action against any of the selections.

John L. Heffernan,
Register.

6-30-5.

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Sessions:—First and Third Monday of every month.

Hours:—9 o'clock a. m. to 12 noon.

1 o'clock p. m. to 5 o'clock p. m.

Any information and first Proceeding in connection with this Court will be had at my office at Sorenson Bros.

GEORGE SORENSON

Judge of Probate.

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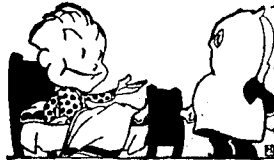
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This ghost was a 1921 model



LAST MONTH, on a bet,
WITH THE boys up home,
I SPENT a night
ALONE in the old
HAUNTED HOUSE,
AND WHEN I heard
MOANS AND groans,
I SAID "The wind."
AND TRIED to sleep,
I HEARD rappings,
AND SAID "Rats."
AND ROLLED over.
THEN I heard steps,
AND IN the light
OF A dying moon,
A WHITE spook rose.
I WASN'T scared—much,
BUT DIDN'T feel like
STARTING ANYTHING.
BUT THEN I caught
JUST A faint whiff

OF A familiar,
AND DELICIOUS smell,
WHICH TIPPED me off.
SO I gave the ghost
THE HORSE laugh,
AND SAID "Ed,
YOU FAT guy,
MAKE BUM ghosts,
BUT BEFORE you fade,
LEAVE WITH me one
OF YOUR cigarettes.
THEY SATISFY."

THAT spicy, delicious aroma
of fine tobaccos, both Turkish
and Domestic, makes you almost
hungry for the "satisfy-smoke."
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